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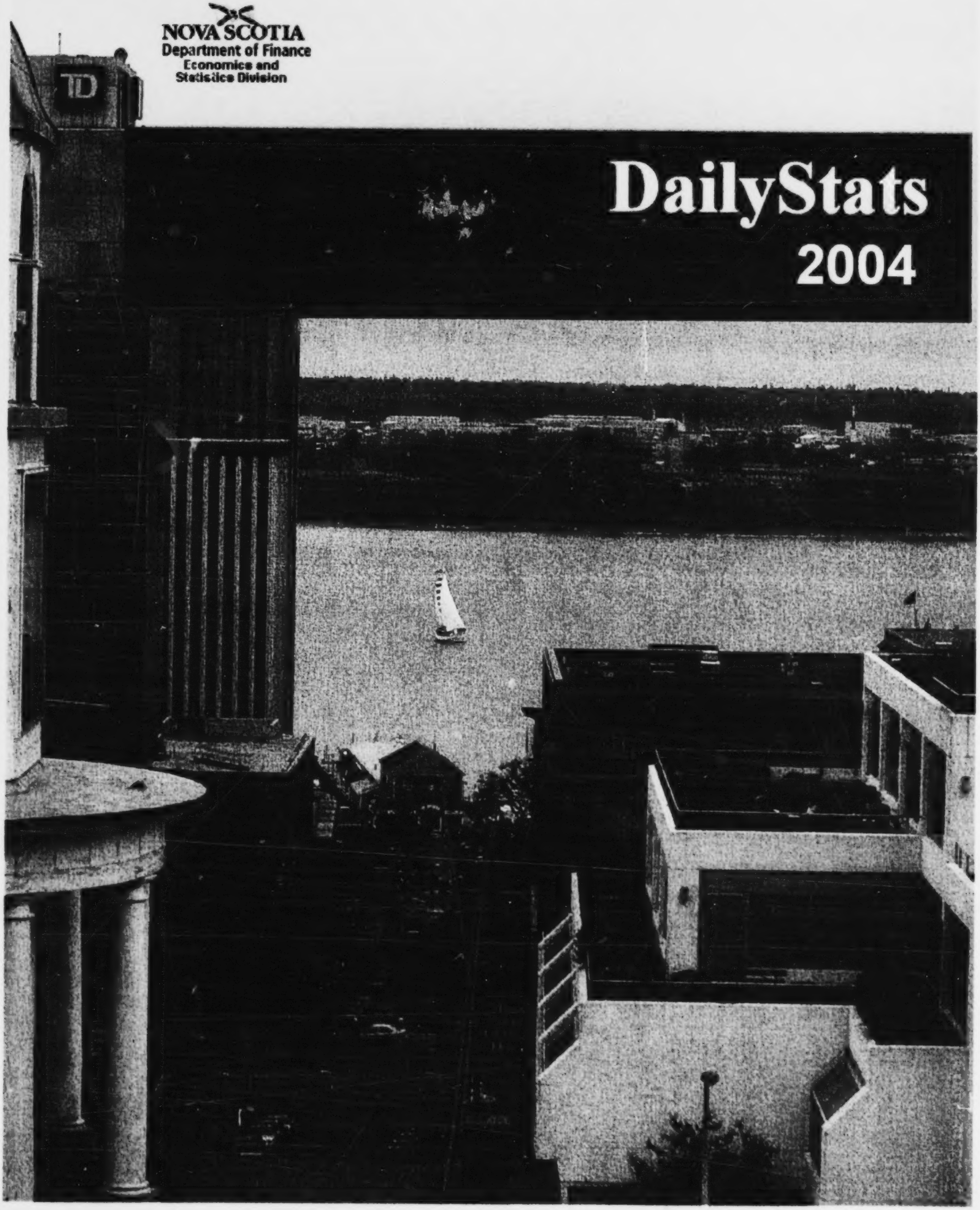

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Data for 2001 have been added to the Longitudinal Administrative Databank (LAD). This databank now spans 20 years, from 1982 to 2001, and contains information about individuals and census families.

The LAD now contains information from the Longitudinal Immigration Database. It covers almost half a million immigrants landed between 1980 and 2000 and provides information on their key characteristics at landing.

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX OCTOBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada October 2003, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +2.1% to 92.6 over September 2003 and declined -13.5% over October 2002. The FPPI crops increased +3.8% to 90.1 over September 2003 and declined -18.7% over October 2002. The FPPI livestock declined -0.2% to 96.1 over September 2003 and declined -4.4% over October 2002.

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX, NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada, November 2003, the raw materials price index (1997=100) increased +1.5% to 110.3 over October 2003, and declined -3.2% over November 2002.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels increased +1.2% to 90.2 over October 2003, and declined -5.5% over November 2002.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +1.6% to 153.6 over October 2003 and declined -0.1% over November 2002.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, November 2003, the industrial product price index (1997=100) declined -0.4% to 104.4 over October 2003, and declined -4.0% over November 2002.

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NATURAL GAS SALES OCTOBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001 - 129-0004

In Canada October 2003, natural gas sales declined -4.9% to 5.7 billion cubic metres over October 2002. Year to date sales increased +1.6% to 56.9 billion cubic metres over Jan-Oct 2002.

QUARTERLY RETAIL COMMODITY SURVEY 3RD QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0010

In Canada 3rd quarter 2003, commodity sales increased +3.6% to $81.7 billion over the 3rd quarter 2002. The largest percentage gain was in health care and personal products sales which increased +6.7% to $6.1 billion over the 3rd quarter 2002.

GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES ON CULTURE 2001/02

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87F0001XDB

In Canada 2001/2002, government expenditures on culture increased +7.6% to $6.8 billion over 2000/2001. Federal government spending increased +8.9% to $3.2 billion; provincial government spending increased +2.6% to $2.2 billion, and municipal government spending increased +9.3% to $1.8 billion.

In Canada 2001/20002, federal government per capita expenditures increased $7 to $103, provincial government expenditures increased +$1 to $69 per capita, and municipal government expenditures increased +$4 to $58 per capita.

In Nova Scotia 2001/2002, federal government expenditures increased to $106 per capita, provincial government expenditures increased to $63 per capita and municipal government expenditures increased to $42 per capita.

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia December 2003 labour force declined -0.3% to 482,800, employment increased +0.9% to 439,500, unemployment declined -11.1% to 43,300 and the unemployment rate declined -1.1 percentage points to 9.0% over November 2003.

In Canada December 2003 labour force increased 0.2% to 17.2 million, employment increased +0.3% to 15.9 million, unemployment declined -1.8% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 7.4% over November 2003.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia December 2003 labour force increased +1.2% to 477,900, employment increased +1.6% to 438,600, unemployment declined -3.7% to 39,300 and the unemployment rate declined -0.4 percentage points to 8.2% over December 2002.

In Canada December 2003 labour force increased +1.7% to 17.0 million, employment increased +1.8% to 15.8 million, unemployment declined -0.6% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 7.0% over December 2002.

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DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 134-0004

In Canada November 2003, sales of refined petroleum products increased +2.0% to 8.1 million cubic metres over October 2002. Year to date production increased +4.3% to 89.9 million cubic metres over Jan-Nov 2002.

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada November 2003, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased 0.7% to 119.2 over October 2003, and increased 5.0% over November 2002.

In Halifax November 2003, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 119.7 over October 2003 and increased 3.3% over November 2002.

BUILDING PERMITS NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada November 2003, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.9% to $4.1 billion over October 2003. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +8.2% to $46.8 billion over January-November 2002.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +26.8% to $93.1 million over October 2003. The year to date value of building permits increased +16.9% to $935.3 million over January-November 2002.

In Halifax November 2003, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +66.4% to $58.2 million over October 2003. The year to date value of building permits increased +22.9% to $531.5 million over January-November 2002.

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE MARCH 31, 2003

Financial Management System
CANSIM 385-0010, 385-0014, 385-0017, 385-0019

In Canada March 31, 2003, federal government net debt declined $8.2 billion to $526.5 billion over 2002. The net debt expressed as a percentage of GDP declined 4.1 percentage points to 43.5%. Net debt per capita declined to $16,691 from $17,107 in 2002.

NOTE: The Financial Management System (FMS) is used to produce the government financial statistics presented in this release. FMS standardizes individual government accounts to provide consistent and comparable statistics. As a result, FMS statistics may differ from the figures published in individual government financial statements. A reconciliation statement of FMS to Public Accounts is available from Statistics Canada.

CULTURE SECTOR LABOUR FORCE

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87-004-XIE

In Canada 1991 to 2002, total employment in the culture sector increased +31% to 577,000. In the period, self employment increased +57% to 148,000. In 2002 share of total employment was to 3.7%.

In Canada 1991`to 2002 total employment in culture occupations increased +64% to 172,000.

In Canada 1996 to 1999, earnings (1999$) in culture occupations increased +13.9% to $28,291.

DIAMONDS 1998 - 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-621-MIE

In 2003, it is expected that Canada will rank third (just ahead of South Africa) in world diamond production (15% of total production) of rough diamonds. In the period 1998 to 2002, $2.8 billion (13.8 million carats) worth of diamonds have been mined. In 2002, production increased +53% to $800 million over 2001.

In the period 1998 to 2001 employment increased from 90 to 700. Salaries averaged $61,639 per year. Currently about 2,200 are employed in diamond mining related jobs with those in diamond mining operations earning an average of $64,336 per annum.

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EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, COVERAGE 2002

Statistics Canada Survey 4428

In Canada 2002, about 55% (680,000) of the unemployed (1.228 million) were potentially eligible for employment insuramnce benefits. Of these, about 84% (571,000) had accumulated sufficient hours to file a claim. (In other words, 42.3% of the unemployed received or will receive employment insurance benefits.)

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada November 2003, the international merchandise trade surplus was $4.3 billion. The year to date surplus was $54.4 billion.

In Canada November 2003, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.1% to $32.1 billion over October 2003 and declined -6.7% over November 2002. Year-to-date exports declined -3.2% to $367.8 billion over Jan-Nov 2002.

In Canada November 2003, international merchandise trade imports increased +1.7% to 27.8 billion over October 2003, and declined -7.6% over November 2002. Year-to-date imports declined -3.8% to $313.4 billion over Jan-Nov 2002.

Nova Scotia October 2003

In Nova Scotia October 2003, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$146.0 million. The year to date deficit was -$257.7 million.

In Nova Scotia October 2003, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -9.7% to $417.6 million over September 2003 and declined -4.6% over October 2002. Year-to-date exports increased +6.2% to $4.7 billion over Jan-Oct 2002.

In Nova Scotia October 2003, international merchandise trade imports increased +2.2% to $563.6 million over September 2003, and increased +19.1% over October 2002. Year-to-date imports increased +15.9% to $5.0 billion over Jan-Oct 2002.

NOTE: Nova Scotia imports for September 2003 have been revised from $1.2 billion to $551.2 million.

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INVESTMENT IN NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0016

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, investment in non-residential building construction declined -0.3% to $6.6 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Nova Scotia 4th quarter 2003, investment in non-residential building construction increased +2.6% to $147 million over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Canadian census metropolitan areas (CMA's), non-residential construction declined -0.1% to $4.8 billion over 3rd quarter 2003.

In Halifax 4th quarter 2003, investment in non-residential building construction increased +1.4% to $70 million over 3rd quarter 2003.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia November 2003, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.2% to 3,893 over October 2003, and declined -2.2% over November 2002. Unadjusted unit sales declined -1.1% to 3,127 over November 2002.

In Canada November 2003, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.2% to 131,085 over October 2003, and declined -7.3% over November 2002. Unadjusted unit sales declined -9.5% to 115,133 over November 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

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CANADIAN POTATO PRODUCTION 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 22-008-XIE

In Canada 2003, total potato production increased +13.5% to 5.3 million metric tonnes over 2002. In 2002, the farm value of potato production was $978 million. (2003 value not available)

In Nova Scotia 2003, total potato production declined -7.7% to 50,700 metric tonnes over 2003. In 2002, the farm value of potato production was $11.7 million. (2003 value not available)

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS 3RD QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 56-002-XIE

In Canada 3rd quarter 2003, operating profits in the telecommunications service industry increased +24.5% over the 3rd quarter 2002. Capital expenditures declined -9.5% to $1.2 billion.

In Canada 3rd quarter 2003, operating profits in the wireless segment of the telecommunications service industry increased +68.9% to $543 million over the 3rd quarter 2002. Year-to-date capital expenditures declined -36% to $802 million.

In Canada 3rd quarter 2003, operating profits in the wireline segment of the telecommunications service industry increased +8.3% to $1.1 billion over the 3rd quarter 2002. Year-to-date capital expenditures declined -21.5% to $2.3 billion.

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada November 2003, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$5.6 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$15.3 billion.

In Canada November 2003, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$1.3 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$9.2 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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COMPOSITE INDEX, DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada December 2003, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.8% to 188.9 over November 2003.

Seven of ten indices were positive. (no chge from Nov)

Business and personal services employment increased +0.2 to 2.6 million.
S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +2.8% to 7,757.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.4% to 112.7.
Average workweek (hours) increased +0.3% to 39.0 hours.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.6% to $20.2 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.72.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) invreased +0.5% to $1.9 billion.

Three of ten indices were negative. (up 2 from Nov)

The housing index (1992=100) declined -1.5% to 141.1.
Money supply, M1 ($millions, 1992) declined -0.7% to 116,586.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) declined -0.3% to $7.8 billion.

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LARGE RETAILERS NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada November 2003, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +2.6% to $8.3 billion over November 2002.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada November 2003, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.9% to 3.5 million trips over October 2003. Unadjusted trips increased +10.5% to 3.0 million trips over November 2002.

In Canada November 2003, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% to 3.4 million trips over October 2003. Unadjusted trips declined -11.9% to 2.4 million trips over November 2002.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia November 2003, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +5.5% to $745 million over October 2003.

In Canada November 2003, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.5% to $42.2 billion over October 2003, and declined -2.7% over November 2002.

Inventories remained unchanged at $59.9 billion over October 2003, and declined -4.9% over November 2002.

Unfilled orders declined -0.8% to $37.2 billion over October 2003, and declined -19.3% over November 2002.

New orders increased +1.0% to $41.9 billion over October 2003, and declined -2.6% over November 2002.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio increased to 1.42 from 1.41 in October 2003, and declined from 1.45 in November 2002.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada December 2003, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 122.8 over November 2003, and increased +2.0% over December 2002.

The CPI excluding food and energy declined -0.2% to 121.2 over November 2003, and increased +1.6% over December 2002. CPI excluding the eight most volatile components, declined -0.2% to 123.5 over November 2003, and increased +2.2% over December 2002.

In Nova Scotia December 2003, the consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.2% to 123.5 over November 2003, and increased +1.5% over December 2002.

In Halifax December 2003, the consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.2% to 122.7 over November 2003, and increased +1.6% over December 2002.

*Excluded from the All-items CPI are the following eight volatile components, as defined by the Bank of Canada: fruit, fruit preparations and nuts; vegetables and vegetable preparations; mortgage interest cost; natural gas; fuel oil and other fuel; gasoline; inter-city transportation; and tobacco products and smokers' supplies. The Bank of Canada further adjusts this series to obtain their measure of core inflation, which also excludes the effect of changes in indirect taxes. For data and information on core inflation, consult the Bank of Canada Web site: http://www.bankofcanada.ca/inflation

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LABOUR MARKET REVIEW 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75-001-XIE

In Canada 2003, employment increased +2.2% (334,000) to 15.7 million over 2002. The employment rate increased to an all time high of 62.4% of the working population.

Employment in the goods-producing sector increased +1.1% (43,600) to 4.0 million. Employment in the services-producing sector increaed +2.5% (290,600) to 11.8 million.

In Nova Scotia 2003, employment increased +1.6% (7,000) over 2002. The employment rate increased to 57.3%, a record high.

WORKERS' KNOWLEDGE OF RETIREMENT PLANS

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75-001-XIE

n Canada 2001, the percentage of employees with registered pension plans declined to 40% (5.5 million employees) of all employees from 45% ten years earlier. About 4% of employyees in the private (390,000 employees) thought they had a retirement plan, but did not.

In Canada 2001, 51.1% of workers reported participation in at least one retirement plan. In Atlantic Canada, 54.4% of workers reported participation in at least one retirement plan.

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WHOLESALE TRADE NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia November 2003, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -2.3% to $629 million over October 2003, and declined -1.3% over November 2002.

In Canada November 2003, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.1% to $36.5 billion over October 2003, and increased +1.5% over November 2002.

In Canada November 2003, wholesale merchants sales of computers, packaged software and other electronic machinery increased +1.3% to $2.9 billion over October 2003, and increased +6.0% over November 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

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NATURAL GAS SALES NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001 - 129-0004

In Canada November 2003, natural gas sales increased +2.9% to 6.9 billion cubic metres over November 2002. Year to date sales increased +1.8% to 63.8 billion cubic metres over Jan-Nov 2002.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada November 2003, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.4% to 571,310 over October 2003, and increased +3.8% over November 2002.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.8% to 29,880 over October 2003, and declined -3.7% over November 2002.

RETAIL TRADE NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada November 2003, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.3% to $26.3 billion over October 2003, and increased +1.9% over November 2002. Unadjusted retail sales declined -0.7% to $26.1 billion over November 2002.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.7% to $765 million over October 2003, and increased +0.7% over November 2002. Unadjusted sales declined -2.6% to $774 million over November 2002.

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EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XIB

In Canada November 2003, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to $693.37 over October 2003, and increased +0.9% over November 2002. Employment remained unchanged at 13.3 million over October 2003.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to $598.39 over October 2003, and increased +0.8% over November 2002. Employment declined -1.0% to 379,500 over October 2003.

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX, DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada, December 2003, the raw materials price index (1997=100) increased +2.4% to 113.0 over November 2003, and declined -5.1% over December 2002.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels increased +1.9% to 92.0 over November 2003, and declined -3.9% over December 2002.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +3.2% to 158.3 over November 2003 and declined -6.7% over December 2002.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, December 2003, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +0.3% to 104.6 over November 2003, and declined -3.4% over December 2002.

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CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 126-0001, 131-0001

In Canada November 2003, crude oil production increased +4.0% to 12.1 million cubic metres over October 2002. Year-to-date production increased +5.2% to 131.4 million cubic metres over Jan-Nov 2002.

In Canada November 2003, natural gas production declined -4.9% to 13.7 billion cubic metres over October 2002. Year-to-date production declined -3.6% to 151.2 billion cubic metres over Jan-Nov 2002.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada November 2003, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at $1.02 trillion (annualized) over October 2003, and increased +1.5% over November 2002.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries remained unchanged at $319.0 billion (annualized) over October 2003, and increased +1.0% over November 2002.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries remained unchanged at $700.6 billion (annualized) over October 2003, and increased +1.7% over November 2002.

In the Information and communications technology sector GDP growth increased +0.2% to $56.5 billion (annualized) over October 2003, and increased +0.9% over November 2002.

In the Energy sector GDP growth increased +1.8% to $59.2 billion annualized over October 2003, and increased +0.7% over November 2002.

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FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada November 2003, the farm product price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 93.1 over October 2003 and declined -13.3% over November 2002. The FPPI crops declimed -1.1% to 90.4 over October 2003 and declined -19.3% over November 2002. The FPPI livestock increased +0.9% to 96.5 over October 2003 and declined -4.4% over November 2002.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, the farm product price index (1997=100) declined -3.2% to 98.1 over October 2003 and declined -1.6% over November 2002. The FPPI crops declined -4.6% to 95.8 over October 2003 and declined -1.7% over November 2002. The FPPI livestock declined -1.7% to 97.6 over October 2003 and declined -1.6% over November 2002.

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AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 51F0001PIE

In Canada December 2003, the number of aircraft movements in the 42 airports with NAV CANADA towers declined -1.3% to 297,297 over December 2002.

At Halifax International December 2003, the number of aircraft movements increased +6.4% to 6,629 over December 2002.

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DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 134-0004

In Canada December 2003, sales of refined petroleum products increased +7.8% to 8.5 million cubic metres over November 2002. Year to date production increased +4.7% to 98.5 million cubic metres over Jan-Dec 2002.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS SURVEY: MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, (CANADA) JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada

Some concern with low levels of unfilled orders.

In Canada July 2003, manufacturers (55%) expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months and an additional 30% believe that volume will be higher. 15% expect volume to be lower.

Orders received by 66% of manufacturers are expected to be about the same as the last quarter, with 24% expecting increases and 10% declines.

67% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders as about normal, 10%, higher than normal and 23% lower than normal.

Most respondents (85%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right while 7% consider levels to be too low, and 8% believe they are too high.

68% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 15% expect an increase and 17% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (84%) do not foresee any production difficulties, 5% think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage, 3% a raw materials shortage, 3% a working capital shortage, and 2% expect an unskilled labour shortage.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS SURVEY:(NOVA SCOTIA) MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada
CANSIM 302-0008

In Nova Scotia January 2004, manufacturers (46%) expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months and an additional 31% believe that volume will increase. 23% expect volume to decline.

Orders received by 64% of manufacturers are expected to be about right, with 16% expecting increases and 20% declines.

60% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders about the same as the last quarter, 8% higher than normal and 32% lower than normal.

Most respondents (86%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right while 4% consider levels to be too low, and 10% believe they are too high.

69% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 22% expect an increase and 9% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (83%) do not foresee any production difficulties, 5% think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage, 2% a raw materials shortage, 3% a working capital shortage, and 1% expect an unskilled labour shortage.

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GRAIN STOCKS December 31, 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 22-002-XPB

In Canada as of December 31, 2003, total wheat stocks increased +28% to 17.6 million tonnes over the same date one year earlier. Other major grain stocks that increased include Barley +57% to 8.3 million tonnes; Canola +28% to 4.1 million tonnes; Oats +41% to 2.2 million tonnes. Grain stocks that declined include soybeans -21% to 1.3 million tonnes; flax -2% to .4 million tonnes.

BUILDING PERMITS DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada December 2003, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +12.8% to $4.6 billion over November 2003. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +7.5% to $50.8 billion over January-December 2002.

In Nova Scotia December 2003, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -19.7% to $75.9 million over November 2003. The year to date value of building permits increased +16.3% to $1.02 billion over January-December 2002.

In Halifax December 2003, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -39.8% to $35.4 million over November 2003. The year to date value of building permits increased +21.8% to $571.3 million over January-December 2002.

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia January 2004 labour force increased +0.5% to 485,000, employment declined -0.3% to 438,100, unemployment increased +8.3% to 46,900 and the unemployment rate increased +0.7 percentage points to 9.7% over December 2003.

In Canada January 2004 labour force increased 0.1% to 17.2 million, employment increased +0.1% to 15.9 million, unemployment remained unchanged at 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at to 7.4% over December 2003.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia January 2004 labour force increased +1.4% to 472,200, employment increased +0.9% to 421,600, unemployment increased +5.4% to 50,600 and the unemployment rate increased +0.4 percentage points to 10.7% over January 2003.

In Canada January 2004 labour force increased +1.8% to 16.9 million, employment increased +2.0% to 15.6 million, unemployment declined -0.1% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.2 percentage points to 7.9% over January 2003.

NOTE:
The seasonally adjusted series have been revised going back three years (beginning with January 2001) based on the latest seasonal factors. For more information on this and other recent changes to LFS tables, see the January 28 CANSIM communiqué on the Statistics Canada website.

The 2003 Labour force historical review on CD-ROM 71F0004XCB will be available on February 17, 2004.

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POPULATION OF BUSINESSES WITH EMPLOYEES 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 178-0001

In Canada 4th quarter 2003 the number of businesses with employees increased +0.2% to 1,016,301 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and increased +1.1% over the 4th quarter 2002.

In Nova Scotia 4th quarter 2003 the number of businesses with employees increased by 6 businesses to 29,741 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and increased by 31 businesses (+0.1%) over the 4th quarter 2002.

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NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada December 2003, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased 0.3% to 119.5 over November 2003, and increased 5.0% over December 2002.

In Halifax December 2003, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +1.2% to 121.1 over November 2003 and increased 4.5% over December 2002.

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NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, the non-residential building construction price composite index (1997=100) increased +0.5% to 119.8 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and increased +2.9% over the 4th quarter 2002.

In Halifax 3rd quarter 2003, the non-residential building construction price index (1997=100) increased +0.9% to 111.2 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and increased +2.9% over the 4th quarter 2002.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia December 2003, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.2% to 3,761 over November 2003, and declined -12.0% over December 2002. Unadjusted unit sales declined -13.2% to 3,312 over December 2002. In Nova Scotia 2003, new motor vehicle unit sales declined -2.4% to 46,360 over 2002.

In Canada December 2003, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -9.5% to 117,373 over November 2003, and declined -21.8% over December 2002. Unadjusted unit sales declined -21.2% to 112,870 over December 2002. In Canada 2003, new motor vehicle unit sales declined -6.2% to 865,475 over 2002.

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MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia December 2003, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.6% to $735 million over November 2003.

In Canada December 2003, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to $42.7 billion over November 2003, and declined -0.7% over December 2002.

Inventories declined -0.3% to $59.8 billion over November 2003, and declined -5.3% over December 2002.

Unfilled orders declined -0.8% to $36.7 billion over November 2003, and declined -18.1% over December 2002.

New orders increased +1.6% to $42.4 billion over November 2003, and increased +1.7% over December 2002.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio declined to 1.40 from 1.42 in November 2003, and declined from 1.47 in December 2002.

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE DECEMBER 2003

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MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT PRICE INDEX 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, the machinery and equipment price index (1986=100) declined -2.7% to 127.6 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and declined -9.6% over the 4th quarter 2002.

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2004-02-17

LABOUR FORCE HISTORICAL REVIEW 1976 - 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71F0004XCB

The Review is now available on CD-ROM from Statistics Canada.

APARTMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, the apartment building construction price composite index (1997=100) increased +0.8% to 118.2 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and increased +2.8% over the 4th quarter 2002.

In Halifax 4th quarter 2003, the apartment building construction price index (1997=100) increased +0.9 to 114.4 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and increased +2.7% over the 4th quarter 2002.

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LIVESTOCK ESTIMATES JANUARY 1, 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 23-603-XIE

In Canada January 1, 2004, the national herd of cattle increased +8.7% to 14.7 million head. The number of hogs declined -0.4% to 14.6 million head, and the number of sheep increased +2.2% to 1.0 million head.

In Atlantic Canada January 1, 2004, the region's herd of cattle increased +2.4% to 296,000 head. The number of hogs declined -2.1% to 366,000 head, and the number of sheep increased +3.0% to 34,000 head.

The analytical article Mad Cow Disease and Beef Trade: An Update (11-621-MIE2004010, free) is available online.

http://www.statcan.ca/english/research/11-621-MIE/11-621-MIE2004010.htm

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada December 2003, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$140 million. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$15.2 billion.

In Canada December 2003, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$2.7 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$12.5 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada December 2003, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.7% to 3.5 million trips over November 2003. Unadjusted trips increased 2.2% to 2.9 million trips over December 2002.

In Canada December 2003, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.7% to 3.3 million trips over November 2003. Unadjusted trips declined -12.9% to 2.6 million trips over December 2002.

COMPOSITE INDEX, JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada January 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.6% to 190.1 over December 2003.

Six of ten indices were positive. (down 1 from Dec)

S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +2.6% to 7,959.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.3% to 113.1.
Average workweek (hours) increased +0.3% to 39.1 hours.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.5% to $20.3 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.73.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) invreased +0.6% to $2.0 billion.

Three of ten indices were negative. (no change from Dec)

The housing index (1992=100) declined -2.5% to 137.5.
Money supply, M1 ($millions, 1992) declined -0.3% to 116,756.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) declined -0.6% to $7.7 billion.

One of ten indicators was unchanged

Business and personal services employment remained unchaged at 2.6 million.

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2004-02-20

NATURAL GAS SALES DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001 - 129-0004

In Canada December 2003, natural gas sales increased +2.8% to 7.8 billion cubic metres over December 2002. Year to date sales increased +1.9% to 71.6 billion cubic metres over Jan-Dec 2002.

LARGE RETAILERS DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada 2003, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +4.5% to $89.2 billion over 2002.

In Canada December 2003, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +4.5% to $10.6 billion over December 2002.

PORT ACTIVITY 2002

Statistics Canada

In Canada 2002, total tonnage increased +3.4% to 407.9 million metric tonnes over 2001.

In Halifax 2002, total tonnage declined -6.6% to 13.9 million metric tonnes over 2001.

In Port Hawkesbury 2002, total tonnage declined -26.6% to 21.5 million metric tonnes over 2001.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada January 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 122.9 over December 2003, and increased +1.2% over January 2003.

The CPI excluding food and energy declined -0.1% to 121.1 over December 2003, and increased +1.6% over January 2003. CPI excluding the eight most volatile components, remained unchanged at 123.5 over December 2003, and increased +1.5% over January 2003.

In Nova Scotia January 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 123.6 over December 2003, and increased +0.4% over January 2003.

In Halifax January 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 122.8 over December 2003, and increased +0.7% over January 2003.

*Excluded from the All-items CPI are the following eight volatile components, as defined by the Bank of Canada: fruit, fruit preparations and nuts; vegetables and vegetable preparations; mortgage interest cost; natural gas; fuel oil and other fuel; gasoline; inter-city transportation; and tobacco products and smokers' supplies. The Bank of Canada further adjusts this series to obtain their measure of core inflation, which also excludes the effect of changes in indirect taxes. For data and information on core inflation, consult the Bank of Canada Web site:

http://www.bankofcanada.ca/inflation

2004-02-24

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada December 2003, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.4% to 559,890 over November 2003, and increased +2.4% over December 2002.

In Nova Scotia December 2003, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.7% to 29,650 over November 2003, and declined -3.1% over December 2002.

FARM CASH RECEIPTS 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0002

ANNUAL

In Canada 2003, farm cash receipts declined -5.0% to $34.2 billion over 2002. Livestock cash receipts declined -11.1% to $16.2 billion, crop cash receipts declined -8.4% to $13.2 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +41.6% to $4.9 billion.

In Nova Scotia 2003, farm cash receipts increased +2.8% to $416 million over 2002. Livestock cash receipts declined -2.2% to $256.5 million, crop cash receipts increased +8.6% to $143.0 million, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +47.8% to $16.8 million.

4TH QUARTER

In Canada Oct-Dec 2003, farm cash receipts declined -8.5% to $9.5 billion over Oct-Dec 2002. Livestock cash receipts declined -14.0% to $4.1 billion, crop cash receipts declined -15.5% to $3.6 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +30.8% to $1.8 billion.

In Nova Scotia Oct-Dec 2003, farm cash receipts increased +1.8% to $116 million over Oct-Dec 2002. Livestock cash receipts declined -4.0% to $57.1 million, crop cash receipts declined -0.3% to $49.0 million, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +91.9% to $9.6 million.

CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLERS 3RD QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada International Travel Survey #3152

In the 3rd quarter 2003, international traveller trips to Canada declined -13.5% to 7.3 million over the 3rd quarter 2002. Total expenditures declined -19.5% to $4.9 billion.

In the 3rd quarter 2003, Canadian trips abroad declined -1.7% to 5.4 million trips over the 3rd quarter 2002. Total expenditures increased +0.2% to $3.7 billion.

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FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-008-XIE

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, corporate after-tax profits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $26.1 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003. Operating revenue increased +1.0% to $598.9 billion and operating profit increased +3.3% to $42.9 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Canada 2003, corporate after-tax profits (seasonally adjusted) increased +37.0% to $105.8 billion over 2002. Operating revenue increased +4.0% to $2.4 trillion and operating profit increased +15.1% to $168.3 billion over 2002.

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, the international travel account posted a deficit of $1.4 billion. Total receipts increased +6.6% to $3.7 billion, and total payments increased +8.3% to $5.1 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Canada 2003, the international travel account posted a deficit of $4.3 billion. Total receipts declined -12.8% to $14.6 billion, and total payments increased +1.7% to $18.9 billion over the 2002.

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INVESTMENT 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-205-XIB

In Nova Scotia 2004, public and private capital spending intentions increased +0.8% to $5.5 billion over 2003. In 2003, actual public and private investment declined -5.5% to $5.4 billion over 2002.

In Canada 2004, public and private capital spending intentions increased +3.1% to $223.8 billion over 2003. In 2003, actual public and private investment increased +3.8% to $217.2 billion over 2002.

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EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XIB

In Canada December 2003, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.1% to $699.19 over November 2003, and increased +1.6% over December 2002. Employment increased +0.6% to 13.5 million over November 2003.

In Nova Scotia December 2003, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to $602.95 over November 2003, and increased +1.3% over December 2002. Employment declined -0.3% to 385,600 over November 2003.

WHOLESALE TRADE DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia December 2003, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -5.5% to $593 million over November 2003, and declined -5.2% over December 2002. In 2003, sales increased +3.3% to $7.5 billion over 2002.

In Canada December 2003, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.8% to $36.9 billion over November 2003, and increased +2.2% over December 2002. In 2003, sales increased +3.6% to $433.8 billion over 2002.

In Canada December 2003, wholesale merchants sales of computers, packaged software and other electronic machinery increased +0.6% to $2.0 billion over November 2003, and declined -6.5% over December 2002.

RETAIL TRADE DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

MONTH

In Canada December 2003, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.2% to $26.0 billion over November 2003, and increased +0.6% over December 2002. Unadjusted retail sales increased +2.7% to $31.0 billion over December 2002.

In Nova Scotia December 2003, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.2% to $765 million over November 2003, and declined -1.0% over December 2002. Unadjusted sales declined -1.5% to $701 million over December 2002.

ANNUAL

In Canada 2003 retail sales increased +3.1% to $316.0 billion over 2002.

In Nova Scotia 2003 retail sales increased +0.8% to $9.2 billion over 2002.

BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 67-001-XPB

QUARTER

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, the current account surplus (seasonally adjusted) declined to $6.7 billion from a $7.8 billion surplus in 3rd quarter 2003. The goods surplus declined to $15.1 billion, the services deficit increased to -$2.9 billion and the investment income deficit increased to -$5.7 billion.

ANNUAL

In Canada 2003, the current account surplus (seasonally adjusted) increased to $25.8 billion from a $23.4 billion surplus in 2002. The goods surplus increased to $60.2 billion, the services deficit increased to -$11.5 billion and the investment income deficit declined to -$23.5 billion.

2004-02-27

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION INVESTMENT 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0013

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, residential construction investment increased +11.6% to $16.0 billion over 4th quarter 2002. In 2003 residential construction investment increased +11.5% to $61.4 billion over 2002.

In Nova Scotia 4th quarter 2003, residential construction investment increased +5.4% to $378.8 million over 4th quarter 2002. In 2003 residential construction investment increased +11.7% to $1.6 billion over 2002.

Note: residential construction investment includes new housing, renovations and acquistion costs.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada December 2003, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $1.03 trillion (annualized) over November 2003, and increased +1.9% over December 2002.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries increased +0.9% $324.7 billion (annualized) over November 2003, and increased +1.5% over December 2002.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries increased +0.3% to $703.0 billion (annualized) over November 2003, and increased +2.1% over December 2002.

In the Information and communications technology sector GDP growth increased +0.1% to $57.1 billion (annualized) over November 2003, and increased +2.4% over December 2002.

In the Energy sector GDP growth increased +0.9% to $60.2 billion annualized over November 2003, and increased +0.5% over December 2002.

CANADIAN ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-010-XIE

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, real gross domestic product ($1997 chained) increased +0.9% to $1.1 trillion over 3rd quarter 2003. Consumer spending remained unchanged at $626.0 billion; exports (goods & services) increased +3.2% to $442.8 billion.

In Canada 4th quarter 2003 ($current), corporate profits increased +3.5% to $149.6 billion; personal income increased +0.9% to $623.4 billion.

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, real gross domestic product ($chained 1997) increased +3.8% on an annualized basis (growth rate compounded annually) and increased +1.6% on a year-over-year basis (compared to the same quarter in the previous year)

In Canada 2003, real gross domestic product (chained $1997) increased +1.7% over 2002.

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CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 126-0001, 131-0001

In Canada January 2004, crude oil production increased +6.1% to 12.6 million cubic metres over January 2003. This increase was a result of a 52.3% jump in crude bitumen production from the Athabasca Oil Sands project in Alberta.

Crude oil exports, which accounted for 65.1% of total production, increased by 13.2% over Janury 2003.

In Canada January 2004, natural gas production declined -1.4% to 15.2 billion cubic metres over January 2003. Domestic Sales and exports of natural gas rose 5.5% and 1.6% respectively over the same period. The increase in domestic Sales was attributed to colder-than-normal weather conditions in most regions of the country.

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RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX, JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada, January 2004, the raw materials price index (1997=100) increased +2.4% to 115.9 over December 2003, and declined -7.4% over January 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels increased +1.2% to 93.4 over December 2003, and declined -3.5% over January 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +3.9% to 164.5 over December 2003 and declined -11.8% over January 2003.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, January 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +0.4% to 104.9 over December 2003, and declined -3.6% over January 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-04

BUILDING PERMITS JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada January 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.9% to $4.4 billion over December 2003 and declined -1.4% over January 2003.

In Nova Scotia January 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.8% to $78.5 million over December 2003 and increased 27.3% over January 2003.

In Halifax January 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.6% to $34.9 million over December 2003 and increased +4.3% over January 2003.

2004-03-08

FINANCIAL AND TAXATION STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-008-XIE

In Canada 2002, corporate total tax-payable declined -1.5% to $35.2 billion over 2001. Taxable income increased +1.2% to $102.6 billion, operating profit increased +1.0% to $172.7 billion, and operating revenue increased +1.1% to $2.4 trillion.

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada December 2003, the farm product price index (1997=100) declined -1.6% to 92.5 over November 2003 and declined -14.7% over December 2002. The FPPI crops declimed -3.2% to 88.8 over November 2003 and declined -21.6% over December 2002. The FPPI livestock declined -0.7% to 96.1 over November 2003 and declined -7.7% over December 2002.

In Nova Scotia December 2003, the farm product price index (1997=100) declined -0.3% to 96.4 over November 2003 and declined -4.3% over December 2002. The FPPI crops declimed -2.0% to 91.4 over November 2003 and declined -8.5% over December 2002. The FPPI livestock increased +1.5% to 98.6 over November 2003 and declined -1.7% over December 2002.

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LOW-INCOME CUTOFFS 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75F0002MIE2004002
http://www.statcan.ca/english/research/75F0002MIE/75F0002MIE2004002.pdf

Low-income cutoffs (LICOs) are income thresholds below which families may devote a larger share of income to food, shelter and clothing. LICOs take into account community and family size.

Low-income cutoffs after tax, 2003

Family size	**Rural**	**Urban < 30,000**	**Urban 30,000 to 99,000**	**Urban 100,000 to 499,999**
			$ income	
1 person	10,718	12,389	13,558	13,771
2 person	13,079	15,118	16,544	16,803
3 person	16,542	19,120	20,924	21,252
4 person	20,603	23,814	26,061	26,469

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NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada January 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased 0.3% to 119.9 over December 2003, and increased 5.1% over January 2003.

In Halifax January 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.1 over December 2003 and increased 3.5% over January 2003.

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COMMERCIAL SOFTWARE PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 331-0003

In Canada December 2003, the commercial software price index (2001=100) declined -0.5% to 84.1 over November 2003 and declined -13.2% over December 2002. In 2003 the CSPI annual average declined -11.5% to 85.2 over 2002.

In the period 2000 to 2003 the CSPI has declined an average of -5.4% annually, or -0.5% per month.

INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY UTILIZATION RATES 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 028-0002

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, the industrial capacity utilization rate (ratio of actual to potential output) increased +1.6 percentage points to 82.9 over the 3rd quarter 2003. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) declined -0.3 percentage points to 82.0 over 2002.

The Forestry and logging sector capacity utilization rate increased +3.4 percentage points to 91.2 over the 3rd quarter 2003. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) increased +6.8 percentage points to 90.7 over 2002.

The Manufacturing sector capacity utilization rate increased +2.1 percentage points to 84.0 over the 3rd quarter 2003. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) declined -0.4 percentage points to 82.9 over 2002.

The Mining, Oil and Gas extration sector capacity utilization rate increased +1.6 percentage points to 72.2 over the 3rd quarter 2003. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) increased +1.1 percentage points to 70.2 over 2002.

The Construction sector capacity utilization rate increased +0.7 percentage points to 86.7 over the 3rd quarter. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) declined -0.8 percentage points to 86.2 over 2002.

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The Computer and electronic products sector capacity utilization rate increased +3.3 percentage points to 71.50 over the 3rd quarter 2003. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) increased +1.8 percentage points to 68.6 over 2002.

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia February 2004 labour force increased +0.2% to 486,200, employment increased +0.5% to 440,500, unemployment declined -2.6% to 45,700 and the unemployment rate declined -0.3 percentage points to 9.4% over January 2004.

In Canada February 2004 labour force declined -0.1% to 17.2 million, employment declined -0.1% to 15.9 million, unemployment declined -0.1% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at to 7.4% over January 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia February 2004 labour force increased +2.0% to 471,200, employment increased +1.4% to 423,200, unemployment increased +7.4% to 48,000 and the unemployment rate increased +0.5 percentage points to 10.2% over February 2003.

In Canada February 2004 labour force increased +1.3% to 16.9 million, employment increased +1.5% to 15.6 million, unemployment declined -0.4% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 7.9% over February 2003.

The 2003 Labour force historical review on CD-ROM 71F0004XCB is now available.

DailyStats
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2004-03-13

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada December 2003, the international merchandise trade surplus was $5.4 billion. The year to date surplus was $59.8 billion.

In Canada December 2003, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.5% to $33.4 billion over November 2003 and declined -3.1% over December 2002. Year-to-date exports declined -3.2% to $401.2 billion over Jan-Dec 2002.

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MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia January 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.6% to $723 million over December 2003.

In Canada January 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.2% to $45.5 billion over December 2003, and declined -3.3% over January 2003.

Inventories increased +0.5% to $58.6 billion over December 2003, and declined -4.1% over January 2003.

Unfilled orders increased +2.6% to $35.8 billion over December 2003, and declined -12.1% over January 2003.

New orders increased +2.5% to $46.4 billion over December 2003, and increased +3.2% over January 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio increased to 1.29 from 1.28 in December 2003, and declined from 1.30 in January 2003.

Note to readers
With the January 2004 release, estimates of shipments, inventories and orders have been revised back to January 1999. Although the historical month-to-month movements were preserved, there were adjustments made to the levels of the Monthly Survey of Manufacturing (MSM).

These adjustments were due to several factors: the use of new and revised data; updates to the industrial classification (NAICS); the updating of the seasonal adjustment factors; and most significantly, the benchmarking of the MSM to the 2000 and 2001 Annual Survey of Manufactures levels.

The average level of adjustment for shipments from reference year 1999 to 2003 was +5.5%.

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2004-03-19

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FEBRUARY 2004

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FEBRUARY 2004
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada January 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 123.2 over January 2004, and increased +0.7% over February 2003.

The CPI excluding food and energy increaded +0.1% to 121.2 over January 2004, and increased +1.1% over February 2003. CPI excluding the eight most volatile components, increased +0.2 to 123.7 over January 2004,and increased +1.1% over February 2003.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100)increased +0.5% to 124.2 over January 2004, and declined -0.1% over February 2003.

In Halifax February 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 123.2 over January 2004, and increased +0.2% over February 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-21

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia January 2004, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -5.1% to 3,555 over December 2003, and increased +1.3% over January 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -4.4% to 2,245 over January 2003.

In Canada January 2004, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.3% to 118,779 over December 2003, and declined -7.1% over January 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -10.7% to 85,238 over January 2003.

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STUDENT READING PERFORMANCE IN MINORITY LANGUAGE SCHOOLS

STUDENT READING PERFORMANCE IN MINORITY LANGUAGE SCHOOLS
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The results of two studies that examined the reading abilities of 15-year-olds in French and English school systems as well as students in French-immersion programs was reported in the March 2004 issue of the "Education Quarterly Review".

The first study showed that students in French school systems in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario and Manitoba had significantly lower reading performance than those students in English school systems. In Quebec there was little difference in the reading performance between French and English school systems.

The second study compared reading performance between students in French-immersion programs and those in non-immersion programs. Students in French-immersion programs had higher reading scores than students in non-immersion programs in all provinces except Manitoba. The study showed no difference in Manitoba.

The report analysis some underlying factors that may be contributing to the results.

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COMPOSITE INDICATORS, FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada February 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.4% to 189.9 over January 2004.

Six of ten indices were positive. (up 1 from Jan)

S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +3.4% to 8,232.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.4% to 113.5.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +0.4% to 118,489.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +1.2% to $20.7 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.74.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.9% to $2.0 billion.

Three of ten indices were negative. (one less than January)

The housing index (1992=100) declined -1.6% to 135.4.
Average workweek (hours) decreased -0.5% to 38.4 hours.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) declined -1.7% to $7.6 billion.

One of ten indicators was unchanged

Business and personal services employment remained unchaged at 2.6 million.

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CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-202-XIB
CANSIM Tables 376-0042, 376-0055, 376-0056, 376-0057, 376-0059

In the 4th quarter 2003, Canada's net foreign liability (difference between external assets and external liability) declined to $205.9 billion (16.8% of GDP) from $218.5 billion (18.0% of GDP) in 3rd quarter 2003.

Total assets increased +16.7 billion to $915.9 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003.

Total liabilities increased +4.1 billion to $1,121.8 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003.

Canada's direct investment abroad increased 2.8% over 3rd quarter to $398.2 billion while foreign direct investment in Canada declined 0.3% to $357.7 billion in the same period.

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NATIONAL BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS 4TH QUARTER 2003, PERMANENT LAYOFF RATES

NATIONAL BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 13-214-XIE
CANSIM Tables 378-0003 to 378-0008

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, national net worth (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.6% to $4.0 trillion over the 3rd quarter 2003. Per capita net worth (unadjusted) increased to $124,700 from $123,000 in 3rd quarter 2003, and $120,100 in the 4th quarter 2002.

Household net worth (seasonally adjusted) grew 1.1% in the 4th quarter compared to 0.8% growth in the previous quarter. Household debt (consumer credit and mortgages) stood at $102.9 for every $100 of disposable income.

PERMANENT LAYOFF RATES

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 11F0019MIE2004218

This study analyzes permant layoff rates by province, age, gender, industry and size of employing firm between 1989 and 1999.

In 1989 Nova Scotia had a permanent layoff rate of 8.2%, this increased slightly to 8.7% in 1999. This compares to 5.9% in 1989 and 5.7% in 1999 at the national level.

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WHOLESALE TRADE JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB
CANSIM Tables 081-0001 and 081-0002

In Nova Scotia January 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.5% to $593 million over December 2003, and declined -7.0% over January 2003. Seven of the ten provinces posted declines over December 2003.

In Canada January 2003, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) decreased -3.2% to $35.7 billion over December 2003, and decreased -2.3% over January 2003.

In Canada January 2004, wholesale merchants sales of motor vehicle parts and accessories decreased -15.2% to $5.9 billion over December 2003, and declined -19.0% over January 2003.

RETAIL TRADE JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB
CANSIM tables 080-0001 to 080-00005 and
076-0005

In Canada January 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.6% to $26.4 billion over December 2003, and increased +1.2% over January 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +1.3% to $31.0 billion over January 2003.

The strongest monthly growth at the national level was seen in General Merchandise Stores (+5.3%), followed by Drug and Patent Medicine Stores (+3.0%) and Clothing Stores (+1.7%). A -1.2% decline occured in Furniture Store sales.

In Nova Scotia January 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $766 million over December 2003, and increased +0.8% over January 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +1.0% to $666 million over January 2003.

All provinces except Saskatchewan posted higher retail sales in January compared to a month earlier.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, January 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +1.8% to 107.0 over December 2003, and declined -3.6% over January 2003.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada January 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.7% to 559,940 over December 2003, and increased +4.4% over January 2003.

In Nova Scotia January 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.9% to 29,970 over December 2003, and increased +0.3% over January 2003.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XIB

In Canada January 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.5% to $695.54 over December 2003, and increased +1.4% over January 2003. Employment increased +0.6% to 13.4 million over December 2003.

In Nova Scotia January 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.5% to $601.70 over December 2003, and increased +1.1% over January 2003. Employment increased +1.0% to 382,600 over December 2003.

NATIONAL TOURISM INDICATORS 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-009-XIB

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, tourism expenditures (seasonally adjusted, $1997) increased +3.2% to $11.7 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003. Current dollar expenditures (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.7% to $12.9 billion. Employment in tourism industries (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.4% over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Canada 2003, tourism expenditures (seasonally adjusted, $1997) declined -2.7% to $46.0 billion over 2002. Employment in tourism industries (seasonally adjusted) fell -1.2% over 2002.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, February 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +1.8% to 107.0 over January 2004, and declined -2.5% over February 2003.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada January 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.1% to $1,025.4 billion (annualized) over December 2003, and increased +1.6% over January 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries decreased -0.4% to $323.2 billion (annualized) over December 2003, and increased +1.6% over January 2003.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries remained at the same level as in December 2003 at $703.4 billion, and increased +1.7% over January 2003.

In the Information and Communications Technology Sector GDP growth increased +0.7% to $57.6 billion (annualized) over December 2003, and increased +1.8% over January 2003.

In the Energy Sector GDP growth increased +0.3% to $60.6 billion (annualized) over December 2003, and increased +1.6% over Janury 2003.

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PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS FEBRUARY2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 32-022-XIB

In Canada February 2004, the number of cigarettes sold decreased -2.0% to 2.5 billion cigarettes over January 2004, but incraesed 6.0% from the level observed in February 2003.

Cigarette production for February 2004 stood at 2.7 billlion cigarettes, a decrease of 9.0% from January, and a decrease of 16.0% from the 3.2 billion cigarettes produced in February 2003.

AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 51F0001PIE

In Canada February 2004, the number of aircraft take-offs and landings in the 42 airports with NAV CANADA towers increased +8.1% to 340,458 over February 2003.

At Halifax International airport February 2004, the number of aircraft movements decreased -1.9% to 6,214 over February 2003.

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2004-04-02

FARMING OPERATING REVENUES & EXPENDITURES 2002(final)

Statistics Canada

In Canada the average operating revenues per farm increased 4.8% to $202,660 and average operating expenses went up 4.9% to $172,410 from 2001 to 2002. Consequently, average operating margins dropped 0.1 cents to 14.9 cents per dollar of revenue.

Among all farm types, poultry and eggs farms ranked first in average operating revenues ($722,630) in 2002, followed closely by hog and pig farms ($720,461) and greenhouse and nursery production ($683,518).

On a revenue-class basis, farms with operating revenues of between $100,000 and $249,999 had the highest operating margins, estimated at 21.2 cents, a decrease of 0.4 cents from 2001. All revenue clases below $250,000 reported a decrease in operating margins, while all revenue classes of $250,000 and above reported an incraese in operating margins.

Grain and oilseed farms had the highest operating margins at 23.9 cents per dollar of revenue, up 1.1 cents from 2001. Dairy farms ranked second at 23.4 cents, down 0.8 cents from 2001. Hog and pig farms experienced the largest decrease in operating margins by -5.9 cents to 7.5 cents per dollar of operating revenue in 2002.

Farms with sales of $500,000 and over accounted for 53.2% of farming revenues in 2002, compared with 38.7% in 1997.

Note: Operating margin is defined as one dollar minus operating expenses (before depreciation) per dollar of revenue. These estimates cover unincorporated farms with gross operating revenues of $10,000 and over, and corporations with total farm sales of $25,000 and over for which 50.0% or more of sales come from agricultural activities.

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YOUTH IN TRANSITION SURVEY, 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 81-595-MIE, No. 014, Survey No. 5534

This report, free on the Statistics Canada site noted below, is the first to explore the longitudinal nature of the Youth in Transition Survey (YITS). The survey, undertaken jointly by Statistics Canada and Human Resources and Skills Development Canada, is designed to examine the major transitions in the lives of youth, particularly between education, training and work.

http://www.statcan.ca/english/IPS/Data/81-595-MIE2004014.htm

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DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 134-0004

In Canada February 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +2.8% to 7.9 million cubic metres over February 2003. Year to date, January-February 2004 production increased +3.2% to 16.3 million cubic metres over January-February 2003.

SAWMILLS AND PLANING MILLS JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 35-003-XIB

In Canada January 2004, lumber production declined 6.9% over January 2003 to 6.4 million cubic metres. Year 2003 production decreased 1.6% over 2002 to 79.2 million.

In Nova Scotia January 2004, lumber production decreased 14.8% over January 2003 to 116.6 cubic metres. Year 2003 production declined 10.0% over 2002 to 1.5 million cubic metres.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE December 31, 2001

Financial Management System (FMS) Basis

In Canada December 31, 2001 local government net debt (liabilities - assets) increased $2.2 billion or 21.9% from December 31, 2000 to 12.2 billion. Financial assets = $50.5 billion; liabilities = $62.7 billion.

In Nova Scotia December 31, 2001 local government net debt (assets - liabilities)increased $31 million from December 31, 2000 to $357 million.

Note: The Financial Management System (FMS) provides a standardized presentation of government accounting for the federal, provincial and local governments in Canada. The individual governments' accounting systems are not directly comparable because the policies and structure of governments differ. The FMS adjusts data from governments' public accounts and other records to provide detailed data that permit inter-government comparisons as well as compatible national aggregates that are consistent over time. In other words, FMS statistics may not accord with the figures published in government financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT FINANCE MARCH 31, 2002

Financial Management System (FMS) Basis

In Canada March 31, 2002 consolidated government net debt (liabilities - assets) declined to $796.3 billion over March 31 2001, a decrease of 0.1%. Net debt as a percentage of GDP declined from 71.5% to 71.0%in 2002. Per capita net debt declined from $25,785 to $25,476 in 2002.

Newfoundland and Labrador registered the highest per capita net debt at $18,867, while Nova Scotia's was $12,466. ALberta, Yukon and the Northwest Territories did not register any net debt.

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BUILDING PERMITS FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE
(seasonally adjusted)

In Canada February 2004 the value of building permits increased 1.6% over January 2004 to $4.4 billion. Year to date, January to February 2004 building permits of $8.7 billion represented a 3.4% increase over January to February 2003.

In Nova Scotia February 2004 the value of building permits declined 12.8% over January 2004 to $68.1 million. Building permits valued at $146.3 million in January to February 2004 increased 10.9% over the January to February 2003 period.

In Halifax February 2004 the value of building permits declined 8.1% over January 2004 to $31.5 million. Permits were valued at $65.7 million during January to February 2004, down 13.0% from the same period in 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

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WHOLESALE TRADE FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB
CANSIM Tables 081-0001 and 081-0002

In Nova Scotia February 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.4% to $616 million over January 2004, and declined -2.6% over February 2003. Five of the ten provinces posted declines over Janury 2004.

In Canada February 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.3% to $35.7 billion over January 2004, and decreased -2.1% over February 2003.

In Canada February 2004, wholesale merchants sales of motor vehicle parts and accessories decreased -3.6% to $5.9 billion over Janury 2004, and declined -17.5% over February 2003.

Low-Income in CMAs, 1980-2000

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 89-613-MIE, No. 1
Survey No. 3901

The above noted publication is available free from Statistics Canada at:
http://www.statcan.ca/Daily/English/040407/p040407.htm

"This comprehensive report paints a statistical portrait of urban income and low income in Canada. It does so by examining the changes in pretax family income within the country's 27 largest CMAs from 1980 to 2000, based on census data.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted (month over month)
Nova Scotia change February 2004 to March 2004
Labour force +0.3% to 487,600
Employment +0.5% to 442,700
Unemployment -1.8% to 44,900
Unemployment rate -0.2 percentage points to 9.2%

Canada change February 2004 to March 2004 Labour force unchanged at 17.2 million
Employment -0.1% to 15.9 million
Unemployment +1.7% to 1.3 million
unemployment rate +0.1 percentage points to 7.5%

Unadjusted (year over year)
Nova Scotia change March 2003 to March 2004
Labour force +2.3% to 480,000
Employment +2.0% to 428,500
Unemployment +4.3% to 51,500
Unemployment rate +0.2 percentage points to 10.7%

Canada March 2003 to March 2004
Labour force +1.4% to 17.0 million
Employment +1.3% to 15.6 million
Unemployment +2.9% to 1.4 million
Unemployment rate +0.1 percentage points to 8.0%

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2004-04-13

INVESTMENT IN NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0016

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, investment in non-residential building construction declined -0.3% to $6.7 billion over the 4th quarter 2003. Despite the decline this is still a record high amount for the first quarter of any year. Investment was higher in the institutional sector as governments spent a record $2.5 billion, mostly on health care facilities. Investment in industrial construction remained flat at $1.2 billion while investment in the commercial sector stood at $3.0 billion, a decline of 1.5% over the previous quarter.

In Nova Scotia investment in non-residential building construction declined -14.2% to $127 million over the 4th quarter 2003. Six of the provinces/territories saw an increase over the previous quarter. The largest growth, in absolute dollars, took place in Ontario with a gain of 1.3% to $3.1 billion while Quebec had the largest decline at $1.4 billion or -3.3%.

In Canadian census metropolitan areas (CMA's), non-residential construction declined -0.6% to $4.8 billion over 4th quarter 2003. Seventeen of the twenty-eight CMA's had a drop in investment over the previous quarter. Halifax investment in non-residential building construction decreased -13.6% to $61 million over 4th quarter 2003.

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada February 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased 0.4% to 120.4 over January 2004, and increased 4.9% over February 2003.

In Halifax February 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.1 over January 2004 and increased 3.5% over February 2003.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 56-002-XIE

In Canada Jan-Dec 2003, operating profits increased +23.0% to $5.7 billion over Jan-Dec 2002. Operating revenues were unchanged at $32.6 billion. Capital expenditures declined -14.9% to $4.8 billion.

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2004-04-14

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada February 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $5.7 billion. The year to date surplus was $10.7 billion.

In Canada February 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +7.0% to $34.1 billion over January 2004 and declined -2.2% over February 2003. Year-to-date exports declined -5.6% to $65.9 billion over Jan-Feb 2003.

In Canada February 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +6.1% to 28.4 billion over January 2004, and declined -5.1% over February 2003. Year-to-date imports declined -7.7% to $55.2 billion over Jan-Feb 2003.

Nova Scotia February 2004 (not seasonally adjusted)

In Nova Scotia february 2004, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$183.5 million. The year to date deficit was -$159.4 million.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, international merchandise trade exports increased +7.4% to $414.3 million over January 2004 and increased +4.6% over February 2003. Year-to-date exports decreased +6.4% to $5.1 billion over Jan-Feb 2003.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +65.4% to $597.8 million over January 2004, and increased +8.6% over February 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +7.2% to $959.3 million over Jan-Feb 2003.

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MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia February 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) decreased -3.3% to $691 million over January 2004. Six provinces had higher shipments in February

In Canada February 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.8% to $45.8 billion over January 2004, and declined -1.4% over February 2003. This is the highest level since last September.

Inventories decreased -0.8% to $58.0 billion over January 2004, and declined -5.6% over February 2003. This is the ninth decrease in the last ten months.

Unfilled orders increased +0.6% to $36.1 billion over January 2004, and declined -10.9% over February 2003. The increase was mainly the result of new contracts in the aerospace industry and reverses a negative trend that has been apparent since mid-2001.

New orders declined -0.8% to $46.0 billion over January 2004, and decreased -0.5% over February 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio decreased to 1.27 from 1.29 in January 2004, and declined from 1.32 in February 2003. This is the lowest level for the ratio in over four years.

Note to readers
With the January 2004 release, estimates of shipments, inventories and orders have been revised back to January 1999. Although the historical month-to-month movements were preserved, there were adjustments made to the levels of the Monthly Survey of Manufacturing (MSM).

These adjustments were due to several factors: the use of new and revised data; updates to the industrial classification (NAICS); the updating of the seasonal adjustment factors; and most significantly, the benchmarking of the MSM to the 2000 and 2001 Annual Survey of Manufactures levels.

The average level of adjustment for shipments from reference year 1999 to 2003 was +5.5%.

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ELECTRONIC COMMERCE AND TECHNOLOGY 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada 2003, the percentage of private sector firms that use the internet increased to 78.2% from 75.7% in 2002. The percentage with web sites increased to 34.0% from 31.5%. The percentage that purchase over the internet increased to 37.2% from 31.7% and the percentage that sell over the internet decreased to 7.1% from 7.5% ($18.6 billion = 0.8% total operating revenue).

In Canada 2003, in information and cultural industries 93.5% of firms use the internet; 61.4% have a web site; 56.5% purchase over the internet; and 22.3% sell over the internet ($1.4 billion = 1.8% of total operating revenue).

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2004-04-19

STILLBIRTHS 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F0210XPB

In Canada 2002, the number of stillbirths (gestational age 28 weeks+) dropped +6.3% to 1,028 over 2001. Stillbirths per 1,000 births decreased to 3.1 from 3.3 in 2001.

BIRTHS 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F0210XPB

In Canada 2002, the number of births decreased -1.5% to 328,802 over 2001.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the number of births declined -2.81% to 8,663 over 2001.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia February 2004, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -16.3% to 3,341 over February 2003, and decreased -4.8% over January 2004. Unadjusted unit sales declined -17.2% to 2,257 over February 2003.

In Canada February 2004, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) decreased -12.1% to 128,043 over February 2003, and increased +7.7% over January 2004. Unadjusted unit sales declined -10.1% to 94,778 over February 2003.

2004-04-20

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In February 2004, Canada reported net foreign investment in Canadian securities of -$7,592 million. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada stood at -$1,926 million.

In Canada February 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was -$2,359 million. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was -$1,587 million.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MARCH 2004

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MARCH 2004
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada March 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 123.6 over February 2004, and increased +0.7% over March 2003.

The CPI excluding food and energy increased +0.3% to 121.6 over February 2004, and increased +1.2% over March 2003. CPI excluding the eight most volatile components, increased +0.3 to 124.1 over February 2004, and increased +1.3% over March 2003.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100)increased +0.6% to 125.0 over February 2004, and declined -0.1% over March 2003.

In Halifax March 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.6% to 124.0 over February 2004, and increased +0.2% over March 2003.

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2004-04-21

QUARTERLY RETAIL COMMODITY SURVEY 4TH QUARTER 2003 AND 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0010

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, commodity sales increased +1.5% to $84.0 billion over the 4th quarter 2002. The largest percentage gain was in health care and personal products sales which increased +7.1% to $6.7 billion over the 4th quarter 2002.

All retail stores sales increased 3.0% over 2002 to $317.1 billion in 2003. The largest percentage gain was in automotive fuels, oils and additives sales, up +6.7% over 2002 to $24.2 billion, as well as, health care and personal product sales which increased +6.4% over 2002 to $24.6 billion in 2003.

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada March 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.7% to 192.0 over January 2004.

Seven of ten indices were positive. (up 1 from Feb). The housing component swung from negative to positive territory in March. Manufacturing and the US leading indicator continued to drive overall growth for the third straight month.

S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +2.0% to 8,395.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.4% to 113.9.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +0.9% to 119,579.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +2.9% to $21.5 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased +0.03% to 1.77.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.7% to $2.0 billion.
The housing index (1992=100)rose +1.1% to 137.2.

Three of ten indices were negative.

Average workweek (hours) decreased -0.3% to 38.6 hours.
Other durable goods sales($1992)decreased -1.7% to $7.5 billion.
Business and personal services employment declined 0.2% to 2.6 million.

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2004-04-22

NATURAL GAS FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001, 129-0004

In Canada February 2004, natural gas sales decreased -2.0% to 8.3 billion cubic metres over February 2003. This decrease was a result of warmer than normal weather conditions across the country.

The residential sector showed a drop of 2.5%, while the commercial sector had a larger decline of -5.5%. The industrial sector (including direct sales) showed a slight increase in sales of 0.2%.

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LARGE RETAILERS FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada February 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.6% to $7.5 billion over January 2004.

The group of large retailers represents about 28% of total annual retail sales.

PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS SEEDING INTENTIONS MARCH 31, 2004

Statistics Canada 22-002-XIB

In Canada March 31, 2004, the seeding intentions of wheat (total) is expected to decrease -2.1% to 25.7 million acres over 2003. Spring wheat planting is expected to decrease -1.8% to 18.2 million acres) and durum wheat -1.8% to 6.0 million acres.

Seeding intentions are expected to increase for soybeans (+16.3% to 3.0 million acres), canola (+9.0% to 12.8 million acres), flaxseed (+4.6% to 1.9 million acres) and field peas (+4.2% to 3.4 million acres).

Seeding intentions are expected to decline for oats (-10.1% to 5.0 million acres), barley (-6.2% to 11.7 million acres) and summerfallow (-2.5% to 8.7 million acres).

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FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada February 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) rose 1.3% over January 2004 to 95.4 and declined 14.3% from February 2003. The FPPI crops declined -1.3% over January 2004 to 89.3 and declined -20.8% over February 2003. The FPPI livestock increased 2.7% over January 2004 to 99.9 and declined -9.2% over February 2003.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) declined -0.8% over January 2004 to 100.4 and was unchanged from February 2003. The FPPI crops declined -3.6% over January 2004 to 95.0 and declined -5.9% February 2003. The FPPI livestock fell 0.6% over January 2004 to 101.6 and declined -0.9% over February 2003.

NATIONAL GRADUATES SURVEY CLASS OF 2000

Class of 2000: Profile of Postsecondary Graduates and Student Debt, Cat. No. 81-595-MIE No. 016

Data released from the National Graduates Survey reported:

Sources of debt for the Class of 2000
-graduates with no debt - College 51%; Bachelor 47%
-graduates with only grovernment student debt - College 33%; Bachelor 34%
-graduates with only non-goverment debt - College 8%; Bachelor 8%
-graduates with both goverment and non-government debt - College 8%; Bachelor 11%

Government Debt for Class of 2000
-graduates with debt to government student loans - College 41%; Bachelor 45%
-average government student debt owned at graduation - College $12,600; Bachelor $19,500
-indebted graduates who paid off their debt by two years after graduation - COllege 18%; Bachelor 22%
-debt paid off by those graduates who still owe - College 24%; Bachelor 23%
-graduates reporting difficulties repaying debt - College 30%; Bachelor 24%
-graduates with large debt ($25,000+) at graduation - College 5%; Bachelor 14%

For the Class of 2000, 26% of college graduates and 40% of bachelor graduates pursued further education after graduation and are therefore not included in the analysis above.

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EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada February 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to 555,010 over January 2004, and increased +3.8% over February 2003.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.9% to 30,490 over January 2004, and increased +1.8% over February 2003.

RETAIL TRADE FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB
CANSIM tables 080-0001 to 080-00005 and
076-0005

In Canada February 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.3% to $27.0 billion over January 2004, and increased +1.9% over February 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +4.2% to $22.1 billion over February 2003.

The strongest monthly growth at the national level was seen in Automotive Stores (+5.2%), followed by Clothing Stores (+2.4%) and Furniture Stores (+1.6%).

In Nova Scotia February 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.3% to $760 million over January 2004, and decreased -1.5% over February 2003. Unadjusted sales decreased -0.9% to $609 million over February 2003.

All provinces except Nova Scotia posted higher retail sales in February compared to a month earlier.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-28

PROVINCIAL GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-213-PPB

Nova Scotia at 0.9% trailed all the other provinces in GDP growth in 2003. Nrewfoundland and Labrador ranked number 1 at +6.5%.

In Canada 2003, gross domestic product (GDP) in chained $1997, increased +1.7% to $1.09 trillion over 2002.

In Nova Scotia 2003, gross domestic product (GDP) in chained $1997, increased +0.9% to $25.1 billion over 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, March 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +0.5% to 107.7 over February 2004, and declined -1.4% over March 2003.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS SURVEY:(NOVA SCOTIA) MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada
CANSIM 302-0008

In Nova Scotia April 2004, 42% of manufacturers expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months, an additional 34% believe that volume will increase, and 23% expect volume to decline.

Orders received by 58% of manufacturers are expected to be about right, while 23% expecting increases and 19% declines.

87% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders about the same as in the last quarter, 8% higher than normal and 5% lower than normal.

Most respondents (75%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right, while 7% consider levels to be too low, and 18% believe they are too high.

62% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 23% expect an increase and 16% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (70%) do not foresee any production difficulties, 11% think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage, 8% a raw materials shortage, 6% a working capital shortage, and 2% expect an unskilled labour shortage.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-30

ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATION SERVICES 2002

Statistics Canada CANSIM 361-0002

In Canada 2002, total operating revenue of performing arts companies increased +5.1% to $1.0 billion over 2001. Total operating expenses increased +3.7% to $959 million. Operating profit increased +25% to $6.5 million.

In Canada 2002, total operating revenue of spectator sports increased +14.2% to $2.1 billion over 2001. Total operating expenses increased +9.6% to $2.2 billion. Reported Operating loss was -$3.8 million.

In Canada 2002, total operating revenue of other ammusement and recreation industries increased +10.0% to $5.5 billion over 2001. Total operating expenses increased +11.5% to $5.1 billion. Reported Operating profit was $6.3 million.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada February 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at $1,024.9 billion (annualized) over January 2004, and increased +1.6% over February 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries declined -0.4% to $321.6 billion (annualized) over January 2004, and increased +1.3% over February 2003.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries increased +0.2% to $704.7 billion (annualized) over January 2004, and increased +1.7% over February 2003.

In the Information and Communications Technology Sector GDP growth declined -0.2% to $57.3 billion (annualized) over January 2004, and increased +1.0% over February 2003.

In the Energy Sector GDP growth declined -0.6% to $60.2 billion (annualized) over January 2004, and increased +1.7% over February 2003.

2004-06-02

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada March 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +2.9% to 97.4 over February 2004 and declined -11.1% over March 2003. The FPPI crops increased +1.1% to 92.7 over February and declined -16.3% over March 2003. The FPPI livestock increased 4.1% to 101.0 over February 2004 and declined -6.9% over March 2003.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +2.1% to 100.0 over February 2004 and declined -1.9% over March 2003. The FPPI crops increased +1.8% to 96.2 over February and declined -6.1% over March 2003. The FPPI livestock increased 2.3% to 101.3 over February 2004 and declined -2.1% over March 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-13

INVESTMENT IN NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0016

Compared to 1st quarter 2004, investment in non-residential building construction in Canada rose 0.5% to $6.7 billion. While industrial component decreased 2.6% to $1.0 billion, the institutional sector invested $2.4 billion (up 1.4% from 1st quarter mainly as a result of the construction of health care facilities)and commercial building investment rose 0.9% to $3.3 billion.

In Nova Scotia investment in non-residential building construction increased 23.1% from 1st quarter 2004 to 2nd quarter 2004. By components, industrial rose 33.5% to $15.8 million, institutional increased 48.2% to $65.8 million and commercial increased 8.0% to $88.4 million.

Investment in non-residential building construction in Halifax increased 19.3% from 1st quarter 2004 to 2nd quarter 2004 reaching $76.0 million.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-04

DIVORCES 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F0213XPB

In Canada 2002, the number of divorces declined -1.4% to 70,155 over 2001.
The divorce rate by 30th wedding anniversary per 100 marriages declined to 37.6 from 37.9 in 2001.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the number of divorces declined -3.1% to 1,990 over 2001.
The divorce rate by 30th wedding anniversary per 100 marriages increased to 30.4 from 28.9 in 2001.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-06

BUILDING PERMITS MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada March 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -4.2% to $4.2 billion over February 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +6.2% to $12.9 billion over January-March 2003.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +15.7% to $78.5 million over February 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +5.0% to $224.5 million over January-March 2003.

In Halifax March 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +46.9% to $45.6 million over February 2004. The year to date value of building permits declined -11.3% to $110.8 million over January-March 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-07

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia April 2004 labour force increased +0.3% to 489,300, employment increased +0.6% to 445,500, unemployment declined -2.4% to 43,800 and the unemployment rate declined -0.2 percentage points to 9.0% over March 2004.

In Canada April 2004 labour force increased 0.1% to 17.2 million, employment increased +0.3% to 16.0 million, unemployment declined -2.5% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.2 percentage points to 7.3% over March 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia April 2004 labour force increased +2.2% to 483,400, employment increased +1.9% to 435,200, unemployment increased +5.2% to 48,200 and the unemployment rate increased +0.3 percentage points to 10.0% over April 2003.

In Canada April 2004 labour force increased +1.3% to 17.0 million, employment increased +1.7% to 15.7 million, unemployment declined -3.4% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.4 percentage points to 7.6% over April 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-11

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada March 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +0.3% to 120.8 over February 2004, and increased +5.1% over March 2003.

In Halifax March 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.1 over February 2004 and increased +3.3% over March 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-12

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada March 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $6.2 billion. The year to date surplus was $17.2 billion.

In Canada March 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.7% to $34.9 billion over February 2004 and declined -2.6% over March 2003. Year-to-date exports declined -4.3% to $101.1 billion over Jan-Mar 2003.

In Canada March 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +0.9% to 28.7 billion over February 2004, and declined -4.3% over March 2003. Year-to-date imports declined -6.5% to $83.9 billion over Jan-Mar 2003.

Nova Scotia February 2004

In Nova Scotia February 2004, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$176.0 million. The year to date deficit was -$132.5 million.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.1% to $421.8 million over January 2004 and increased +4.5% over February 2003. Year-to-date exports declined -5.3% to $826.9 million over Jan-Feb 2003.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +65.3% to $597.8 million over January 2004, and increased +8.6% over February 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +7.1% to $959.3 million over Jan-Feb 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-13

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia March 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) rose +2.8% over March 2003 to 3,826, and increased 15.9% over February 2004. Unadjusted unit sales increased 5.7% over March 2003 to 4,231.

In Canada March 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) decreased -4.4% over March 2003 to 133,407, and increased +4.1% over February 2004. Unadjusted unit sales increased 0.5% over March 2003 to 149,624.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-14

FILM AND VIDEO DISTRIBUTION 2002/2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87F0010XPE

In Canada 2002/2003, profit of film, video and audio-visual distribution increased to $769.5 million (13.4 of total revenue).

In Canada 2002/2003, the total revenue of film, video and audio-visual distribution increased +8.0% over 2001/2003 to $3.3 billion. Total expenses increased +4.8% over 2001/2002 to $2.8 billion.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia March 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased 8.5% over February 2004 to $754 million. All provinces and territories reported healthy gains in shipments in March.

In Canada March 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.4% over February 2004 to $47.7 billion, and rose 1.9% over March 2003. In Canada, 19 of 21 manufacturing industries, accounting for 98% of total shipments, reported increases in March. Shipments of motor vehicles, up 8.2% to $5.8 billion, outpaced all other industries.

Inventories increased 0.3% to $58.8 billion over February 2004, a 6-month high, and declined -4.5% over March 2003.

Unfilled orders increased +0.2% over February 2004 to $36.5 billion--the third monthly rise in a row and the longest string of consecutive increases since 1999--and declined -8.4% over February 2003.

Improving demand at home and abroad contributed to new orders increasing 2.4% over February 2004 to $47.8 billion--the highest level since November 2000--and increased 3.6% over March 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio decreased to 1.23 from 1.27 in February 2004, and declined from 1.32 in March 2003. This is the lowest level for the ratio in over four years.

Note to readers
With the January 2004 release, estimates of shipments, inventories and orders have been revised back to January 1999. Although the historical month-to-month movements were preserved, there were adjustments made to the levels of the Monthly Survey of Manufacturing (MSM).

These adjustments were due to several factors: the use of new and revised data; updates to the industrial classification (NAICS); the updating of the seasonal adjustment factors; and most significantly, the benchmarking of the MSM to the 2000 and 2001 Annual Survey of Manufactures levels.

The average level of adjustment for shipments from reference year 1999 to 2003 was +5.5%.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-18

ALCOHOL AND DRUG USE 1998/99

Statistics Canada 82-003-XIE May 2004 issue

In 1998/99 the National longitudinal survey of children and youth reported that 17% of household population aged 12 had had at least one drink of alcohol. By age 15 the percentage had increased to 66%.

In 1998/99 the National longitudinal survey of children and youth reported that 3% of household population aged 12 had smoked marijuana. By age 15 the percentage had increased to 38%.

FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 376-0038, 376-0051, 376-0053, 376-0054

In 2003, Canadian direct foreign investment abroad declined -7.1% to $399.1 billion over 2002. Foreign direct investment in Canada increased +2.5% to $357.5 billion over 2002.

In 2002, Canadian direct foreign investment in the United States declined -16.3% to $164.9 billion (41% of Can.DI) over 2001. U.S. foreign direct investment in Canada increased +2.3% to $228.4 billion (64% of For.DI) over 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-19

LARGE RETAILERS MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada March 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.8% to $7.7 billion over February 2004 and increased +7.7% over March 2003.

In Canada March 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +6.6% to $6.8 billion over March 2003.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada March 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.8% to 3.6 million trips over February 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +12.4% to 3.8 million trips over March 2003.

In Canada March 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.1% to 3.3 million trips over February 2004. Unadjusted trips declined -4.0% to 2.4 million trips over March 2003.

COMPOSITE INDEX, APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada April 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.6% to 193.2 over March 2004.

Six of ten indices were positive. (down 1 from Mar)

The housing index (1992=100) increased +1.4% to 138.4.
S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +0.9% to 8,472.
Money supply, M1 ($millions, 1992) increased +1.1% to 121,172.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.3% to 114.1.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.78.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) invreased +1.0% to $2.0 billion.

Three of ten indices were negative. (no change from Dec)

Business and personal services employment declined -0.2% to 2.6 million.
Average workweek (hours) declined -0.3% to 8.6 hours.
New orders, durables ($1992) declined -0.7% to $21.3 billion.

One of ten indicators was unchanged (up 1 from Mar)

Other durable goods sales ($1992) remained unchanged at $7.7 billion.

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada March 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$6.2 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$4.4 billion.

In Canada March 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$1.1 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$2.7 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-20

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada April 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 123.9 over March 2004, and increased +1.6% over April 2003.

The CPI excluding food and energy increased +0.1% to 121.7 over March 2004, and increased +1.2% over April 2003. CPI excluding the eight most volatile components, increased +0.2 to 124.3 over March 2004, and increased +1.8% over April 2003.

In Nova Scotia April 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 125.1 over March 2004, and increased +1.0% over April 2003.

In Halifax April 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 122.9 over March 2003, and increased +1.0% over April 2003.

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2004-05-21

ANNUAL RETAIL TRADE 2002
Statistics Canada

In Canada 2002, the number of retail stores increased +4.3% to 201,995 retail stores. Total operating revenues increased +6.6% to $344.4 billion over 2001.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the number of retail stores increased +1.4% to 6,065 retail stores. Total operating revenues increased +5.5% to $10.0 billion over 2001. Nova Scotia operating revenues share of the Canadian retail market was 2.9%

In Canada 2002, the only retail store type to post a declined was computer and software stores.

Computer and software stores operating revenues declined -4.0% to $2.6 billion over 2001. Gross margin = $692 million; operating profit = $63 million.

LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY PERFORMANCE BY INDUSTRY 2003
Statistics Canada CANSIM 383-0013, 383-0014, 383-0015

In Canada 2003, the annual growth rate in labour productivity in manufacturing was +1.2%, down from 2.8% posted in 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-25

INCOME OF INDIVIDUALS 2002

Statistics Canada CANSIM 111-0004 to 111-0008

In Canada 2002, median total income of individuals increased +4.1% to $24,300 since 1997. 2000. The economic dependancy ratio ($Govt per $100 of income) was 16.09.

In Halifax 2002, median total income of individuals increased +4,9% to $25,400 over 1997. The economic dependancy ratio ($Govt per $100 of income) was 13.77.

WHOLESALE TRADE MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia March 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.2% to $651 million over February 2004, and increased +4.2% over March 2003.

In Canada March 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.6% to $37.6 billion over February 2004, and increased +3.9% over March 2003.

In March 2004 computers and packaged software and other electronic machinery wholesale merchants' sales declined -0.2% to $2.7 billion over February 2004, and declined -1.0% over March 2003.

RETAIL TRADE MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

MONTH

In Canada March 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.2% to $27.4 billion over February 2004, and increased +4.1% over March 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +6.1% to $26.1 billion over March 2003.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.7% to $786 million over February 2004, and increased +2.1% over March 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +3.3% to $731 million over March 2003.

QUARTER

In Canada 1st quarter 2004 retail sales increased +3.0% over the 4th quarter 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-26

FOOD CONSUMPTION 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0010, 002-0011, 002-0019

In Canada 2002, beef consumption increased +5.0% to 14.2 kg per capita. Pork consumption declined -9.6% to 12.1 kg per capita and poultry remained unchanged at 13.6 kg per capita.

FAMILY INCOME 2002

Statistics Canada CANSIM 111-0009 to 111-0015

In Canada 2002, median total income of couple families was $61,200. Median income for lone-parent families was $28,100, and for non-family persons $20,100.

In Halifax 2002, median total income of couple families was $65,200. Median income for lone-parent families was $26,100, and for non-family persons $22,000.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, MARCH 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada March 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.8% to 550,790 over February 2004, and increased +2.1% over March 2003.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.8% to 29,840 over February 2004, and declined -0.4% over March 2003.

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, the international travel account posted a deficit of -$1.3 billion. Total receipts increased +1.1% to $3.8 billion, and total payments increased +2.4% to $5.1 billion over the 4th quarter 2003.

CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLERS 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada International Travel Survey #3152

QUARTER

In the 4th quarter 2003, international traveller trips to Canada declined -7.1% to 3.3 million over the 4th quarter 2002. Total expenditures declined -12.8% to $2.0 billion.

In the 4th quarter 2003, Canadian trips abroad increased +5.6% to 3.8 million trips over the 4th quarter 2002. Total expenditures increased +6.1% to $3.4 billion.

ANNUAL

In 2003, international traveller trips to Canada declined -12.7% to 17.4 million over 2002. Total expenditures declined -14.9% to $11.6 billion.

In 2003, Canadian trips abroad increased +0.2% to 17.7 million trips over 2002. Total expenditures increased +0.6% to $15.7 billion.

2004-05-27

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-563-XIE

In Halifax 2002, the number of stolen cars reported by the Uniform Crime Reporting Survey was 1,268. The percentage of stolen cars never recover was 24%, second only to Montreal. The rate of vehicles not recovered per 100,000 population was 151.

In Montreal 2002, the number of stolen cars reported was 14,999. The percentage of stolen cars never recover was 44%. The rate of vehicles not recovered per 100,000 population was 354.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023, 281-0046

In Canada March 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% to $702.97 over February 2003, and increased +2.4% over March 2003. Employment remained unchanged at 13.4 million over February 2004.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $611.10 over February 2004, and increased +2.5% over March 2003. Employment remained unchanged at 378,800 over February 2004.

NET FARM INCOME 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada 2003, net cash income (farm business cash flow) declined to $4.2 billion from $7.3 billion in 2002. Total net income increased to $2.3 billion from $1.3 billion in 2002.

In Nova Scotia 2003, net cash income (farm business cash flow) declined to $38 million from $39 million in 2002. Total net income declined to -$10 million from -$8 billion in 2002.

FARM CASH RECEIPTS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0002, 002-0003, 002-0005, 002-0007, 002-0009, 002-0012, 003-0025

In Canada Jan-Mar 2004, farm cash receipts declined -2.6% to $8.9 billion over Jan-Mar 2003. Livestock cash receipts declined -11.9% to $4.1 billion, crop cash receipts increased +18.7% to $3.7 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) declined -18.4% to $1.1 billion.

In Nova Scotia Jan-Mar 2004, farm cash receipts increased +9.4% to $106 million over Jan-Mar 2003. Livestock cash receipts increased +8.4% to $83.5 million, crop cash receipts declined -7.5% to $16.7 million, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +207.7% to $6.0 million.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-28

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX, APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada, April 2004, the raw materials price index (1997=100) declined -0.2% to 125.9 over March 2004, and increased +8.4% over April 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels declined -0.4% to 99.9 over March 2004, and increased +5,5% over April 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +0.3% to 182.2 over March 2004 and increased +12.1% over April 2003.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, April 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +0.4% to 108.8 over March 2004, and increased +1,5% over April 2003.

BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 67-001-XPB

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, the current account surplus (seasonally adjusted) increased to $9.5 billion from a $6.7 billion surplus in 4th quarter 2003. The goods surplus increased to $17.5 billion, the services deficit increased to -$3.0 billion and the investment income deficit increased to -$5.0 billion.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-31

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada March 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.7% to $1.03 trillion (annualized) over February 2004, and increased +2.5% over March 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries increased +1.1% to $325.2 billion (annualized) over February 2004.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries increased +0.5% to $708.3 billion (annualized) over February 2003.

In the Information and communications technology sector GDP growth increased +0.7% to $58.0 billion (annualized) over February 2004.

CANADIAN ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-010-XIE

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, real gross domestic product ($1997 chained) increased +0.6% to $1.1 trillion over 4th quarter 2003. Consumer spending increased +1.3% to $634.1 billion; exports (goods & services) increased +1.5% to $451.6 billion.

In Canada 1st quarter 2004 ($current), corporate profits increased +6.1% to $163.4 billion; personal income increased +0.8% to $626.0 billion.

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, real gross domestic product ($chained 1997) increased +2.4% on an annualized basis (growth rate compounded annually) and increased +1.6% on a year-over-year basis (compared to the same quarter in the previous year).

By comparison in the U.S. 1st quarter 2004, real gross domestic product increased +4.4% on an annualized basis.

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RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION INVESTMENT 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0013

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, residential construction investment declined -14.4 to $13.8 billion over 4th quarter 2003 and increased +15.4% over 1st quarter 2003.

In Nova Scotia 1st quarter 2004, residential construction investment declined -14.9% to $302.6 million over 4th quarter 2003 and increased +11.8% over 1st quarter 2002.

Note: residential construction investment includes new housing, renovations and acquistion costs.

FARM INPUT PRICE INDEX 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 328-0014, Survey 2305

In Canada 2003, the farm input price index (1992=100) increased +3.2%% to 132.7 over 2002.

In Eastern Canada 2003, the farm input price index (1992=100) increased +2.1%% to 128.8 over 2002. In Western Canada 2003, the farm input price index (1992=100) increased +4.9%% to 137.7 over 2002.

POPULATION OF BUSINESSES WITH EMPLOYEES 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 178-0001

In Canada 1st quarter 2004 the number of businesses with employees increased +0.33% to 1,019,700 over the 4th quarter 2003.

In Nova Scotia 1st quarter 2004 the number of businesses with employees increased by +0.77% to 29,969 over the 4th quarter 2003, and increased by +0.72% over the 1st quarter 2003.

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CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 126-0001, 131-0001

In Canada March 2004, crude oil production increased +8.2% to 12.6 million cubic metres over March 2003. Year to date crude oil production increaed +10.0% to 37.4 million cubic metres over Jan-Mar 2003.

In Canada March 2004, natural gas production declined -3.1% to 14.3 billion cubic metres over March 2003. Year to date natural gas production increased +1.8% to 44.7 billion cubic metres over Jan-Mar 2003.

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FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-008-XIE

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, after-tax profit declined -7.4% to $26.5 billion over 4th quarter 2003 and declined -2.5% over 1st quarter 2003.

Operating profit increased +6.0% to $47.4 billion over 4th quarter 2003, increased +8.1% over 1st quarter 2003. Operating revenue declined -0.2% to $618.3 billion over 4th quarter 2003, and increased +0.7% over 1st quarter 2003.

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia May 2004 labour force increased +0.7% to 492,900, employment increased +0.8% to 449,200, unemployment remained unchanged at 43,800 and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 8.9% over April 2004.

In Canada May 2004 labour force increased +0.2% to 17.2 million, employment increased +0.4% to 16.0 million, unemployment declined -1.1% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 7.2% over April 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia May 2004 labour force increased +2.9% to 499,900, employment increased +3.2% to 454,800, unemployment increased +0.7% to 45,100 and the unemployment rate declined -0.2 percentage points to 9.0% over May 2003.

In Canada May 2004 labour force increased +1.3% to 17.4 million, employment increased +2.0% to 16.1 million, unemployment declined -7.3% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.7 percentage points to 7.3% over May 2003.

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DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 2150

In Canada April 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +3.0% to 7.6 million cubic metres over April 2003. Year to date, January-April 2004 sales increased +4.1% to 32.6 million cubic metres over January-April 2003.

DOMESTIC TRAVEL 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 426-001 to 426-006

In 2003, Canadian trips within Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -8.3% to 172.2 million trips over 2002. Expenditures declined -8.0% to $28.5 billion. Expenditures (1997$) declined -9.0% to $25.4 billion.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OCCUPATIONS 2002

Statistics Canada Survey 2939

In Canada 2002, employment in computer and telecommunications industries declined to 586,000 from a high of 650,000 in the 1st quarter 2001. Unemployment increased to 6.6% from 3.9% a year earlier. About 85% of public sector IT employers reported no job vacancies during this period, while 93% of private sector emplyers reported similar conditions.

BUILDING PERMITS APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada April 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +6.3% to $4.5 billion over March 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +7.8% to $17.5 billion over January-April 2003.

In Nova Scotia April 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +48.6% to $118.7 million over March 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +13.3% to $344.5 million over January-April 2003.

In Halifax April 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +70.8% to $79.6 million over March 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +20.7% to $191.4% million over January-April 2003.

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TRADE WITH CHINA

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-624-MIE

In Canada 2003, the Chinese trade trade deficit increased 12 times to $13.8 billion over 1995. In the period 1995 to 2003 exports to China increased +37.4% to $$4.8 billion and imports increased 300% to $18.6 billion.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the Chinese trade trade deficit increased 1.7 times to $47.9 million over 1995. In the period 1995 to 2003 exports to China increased +40.2% to $64.5 million and imports increased 526% to $112.3 million.

In Canada 2003, share of international imports had increased to 6% of total imports (compared to 2% in 1995).

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ICT IN SCHOOLS 2003/04

Statistics Canada Cat. 81-595-MIE

In Canada 2003/2004 the proportion of schools with internet connected computer was 97.7%. The proportion using dial-up access was 8.8%, and the proportion with "always on access" was 85.8% (High Speed = 31.6%, Optical fibre = 22.8%, Cable modem = 15.3%, T1 line = 11.6%, fixed wireless = 7,6%, satelite = 4.9%). The median student to computer ratio was 5.0.

In Nova Scotia the median student to computer ratio was 4.9.

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada April 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +0.7% to 121.7 over March 2004, and increased +5.6% over April 2003.

In Halifax April 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.1 over March 2004 and increased +1.5% over April 2003.

INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY UTILIZATION RATES 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 028-0002

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, the industrial capacity utilization rate (ratio of actual to potential output) increased +0.6 percentage points to 83.5 over the 4th quarter 2003, and increased +0.8 percentage points over 1st quarter 2003..

The Forestry and logging sector capacity utilization rate increased +1.1 percentage points to 91.8 over the 4th quarter 2003, and declined -3.0 percentage points over 1st quarter 2003.

The Manufacturing sector capacity utilization rate increased +2.1 percentage points to 84.0 over the 3rd quarter 2003. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) declined -0.4 percentage points to 82.9 over 2002.

The Mining, Oil and Gas extraction sector capacity utilization rate declined -0.3 percentage points to 71.6 over the 4th quarter 2003, and increased +2.5 percentage points over the 1st quarter 2003.

The Construction sector capacity utilization rate increased +0.5 percentage points to 86.8 over the 4th quarter 2003, and increased +0.2 percentage points over thev 1st quarter 2003.

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The Computer and electronic products sector capacity utilization rate increased +1.1 percentage points to 75.6 over the 4th quarter 2003 and +9.0 percentage points over the 1st quarter 2003.

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LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-010-XIE, CANSIM 383-0008, 383-0012

In Canada 1st quarter 2003 business sector labour productivity (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% over the 4th quarter 2003, and remained unchanged over the 1st quarter 2003.

Hourly compensation (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% over the 4th quarter 2003, and increased +0.8% over the 1st quarter 2003.

Unit labour costs (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.2% over the 4th quarter 2003, and increased +0.8% over the 1st quarter 2003.

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada April 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $7.6 billion. The year to date surplus was $24.7 billion.

In Canada April 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.4% to $36.6 billion over March 2004 and increased +10.1% over April 2003. Year-to-date exports declined -0.6% to $138.3 billion over Jan-Apr 2003.

In Canada April 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +0.7% to 29.1 billion over March 2004, and increased +0.9% over April 2003. Year-to-date imports declined -4.4% to $113.5 billion over Jan-Apr 2003.

Nova Scotia March 2004

In Nova Scotia March 2004, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$103.2 million. The year to date deficit was -$233.3 million.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +10.9% to $469.7 million over February 2004 and declined -16.1% over March 2003. Year-to-date exports declined -9.3% to $1.3 billion over Jan-Mar 2003.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, international merchandise trade imports declined -4.2% to $572.9 million over February 2004, and declined -10.4% over March 2003. Year-to-date imports declined -0.1% to $1.5 billion over Jan-Mar 2003.

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YOUTH SMOKING SURVEY 2002

Statistics Canada, Survey 4401

In Canada 2002, the percentage of youths in grades 5 to 9 who reported they had smoked in the past 30 days declined top 6.2% compared to 1994 = 13.4%.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the percentage of youth who reported they had smoked in the past 30 days declined top 8.0% compared to 1994 = 13.2%.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia April 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) rose +0.2% over March 2004 to 3,858, and increased 2.9% over April 2003. Unadjusted unit sales increased 4.9% over April 2003 to 5,061.

In Canada April 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.6% over March 2004 to 137,719, and increased +2.7% over April 2003. Unadjusted unit sales increased 4.8% over April 2003 to 160,246.

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CANADIAN COMMUNITY HEALTH SURVEY 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 82-221-XIE

In 2003 94.9% or 756,700 Nova Scotians aged 12+ reported to have a regular medical doctor. About 23,000 have not looked (2.9%), and 17,600 (2.2%) reported they could not find one.

In 2003 85.8% or 22.8 million Canadians aged 12+ reported to have a regular medical doctor. About 2.4 million have not looked (9.2%), and 1.2 million (4.7%) reported they could not find one.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the number of smokers declined to 19.7% of the population (157,500) from 27.3% (208,200) in 1994.

In Canada 2003, the number of smokers declined to 17.8% of the population (4.7 million) from 24.3% (5.8 million) in 1994.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia April 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased 2.2% to $778 million over March 2004.

In Canada April 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $48.5 billion over March 2004, and rose 7.0% over April 2003.

Inventories increased 1.0% to $59.4 billion over March 2004, a 6-month high, and declined -3.8% over March 2003.

Unfilled orders increased +2.6% over March 2004 to $37.3 billion and declined -4.0% over April 2003.

New orders increased +2.4% over March 2004 to $49.4 billion and increased +11.6%% over April 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio increased to 1.23 from 1.22 in March 2004, and declined from 1.36 in April 2003.

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YOUTH IN TRANSITION SURVEY, 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 81-595-MIE, No. 014, Survey No. 4435

In Canada December 2001, 18% of youth who never graduated from high school by age 22 had participated in some form of postsecondatry education.

In Canada 1999, about 30% of youth aged 20 years had no postsecondary education. By 2001, this had reduced to about 24%.

In Nova Scotia December 1999, the percentage of high school graduates of 20 year olds was 85%. By December 2001, the percentage had increased to 90%. (Dropout rate = 10%.)

In Canada December 1999, the percentage of high school graduates of 20 year olds was 85%. By December 2001, the percentage had increased to 87%. (Dropout rate = 11%.)

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-202-XIB

In 1st quarter 2004, Canada's net foreign liability (difference between external assets and external liability) declined to -$194.2 billion (15.5% of GDP) from -$218.0 billion (17.7% of GDP) in 4th quarter 2003.

Total assets increased +2.5% to $931.5 billion over the 4th quarter 2003.

Total liabilities declined to $1,125.8 billion over the 4th quarter 2003.

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TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada April 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.4% to 3.6 million trips over March 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +22.8% to 3.6 million trips over April 2003.

In Canada April 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.9% to 3.2 million trips over March 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +5.7% to 2.5 million trips over April 2003.

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada April 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$20.4 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$24.8 billion.

In Canada April 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$1.5 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$3.8 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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IMPACT OF MAD COW

Statistics Canada CANSIM 21-601-MIE

In Canada 2003, farm cash receipts from cattle and calves declined 33% or to $5.2 billion.

Given certain operating costs assumptions, family run unicorporated beef cattle operations lost an average of $20,000 due to BSE. Average total income for families with beef cattle operations in 2000 would have declined 33% from $60,000 to $40,000.

LARGE RETAILERS APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada April 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% to $7.7 billion over March 2004 and increased +5.9% over April 2003.

In Canada April 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +7.6% to $7.4 billion over April 2003.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada May 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.9% to 125.0 over April 2004, and increased +2.5% over May 2003.

The CPI excluding food and energy increased +0.2% to 122.0 over April 2004, and increased +1.3% over May 2003. CPI excluding the eight most volatile components, increased +0.2 to 124.6 over April 2004, and increased +1.5% over May 2003.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.7% to 126.9 over April 2004, and increased +2.0% over May 2003. The CPI excluding food and energy remained unchanged at 122.7 over April 2004, and increased +0.2% over May 2003.

In Halifax May 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.7% to 125.0 over April 2004, and increased +2.0% over May 2003.

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CONSUMER SPENDING 1981 - 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75-001-XIE Vol.5 No.6

In Canada 2000, the relative share of consumer spending for food, beverages and tobacco has declined to 13.0% of consumer spending from 18.4% in 1981. Spending on clothing and footwear has declined to 4.6% of consumer spending from 6.7% in 1981. Spending on gross rent, fuel and power has increased to 22.7% of consumer spending from 21.2% in 1981.

Consumer spending on cable television, computers, electronic toys and cellular phones increased to 3.6% from 1.5%. Spending on health care has increased to $1400 from $900. Spending on transportation has increased +7% to $7000, over 1981.

NATURAL GAS APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001, 129-0004

In Canada April 2004, natural gas sales decreased -8.7% to 6.4 billion cubic metres over April 2003. Year-to-date natural gas sales decreased -2.9% to 32.3 billion cubic metres over Jan-Apr 2003.

DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS April 1, 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 91-002-XIB

In Canada April 1, 2004 the estimated population was 31,825,416. In the period January to March 2004, population increased +0.2%.

In Nova Scotia April 1, 2003 the estimated population was 936,510. In the period January to March the population declined by about 380 persons.

WHOLESALE TRADE APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia April 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.7% to $533 million over March 2004, and increased +3.2% over April 2003.

In Canada April 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to $37.2 billion over March 2004, and increased +7.4% over April 2003.

In April 2004 computers and and other electronic equipment wholesale merchants' sales declined -2.2% to $2.5 billion over March 2004, and increased +2.0% over April 2003.

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EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023, 281-0046

In Canada April 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $703.21 over March 2004, and increased +2.4% over April 2003. Employment increased +0.2% to 13.5 million over March 2004.

In Nova Scotia April 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.5% to $621.46 over March 2004, and increased +4.3% over April 2003. Employment increased +0.3% to 377,900 over March 2004.

THE SOARING LOONIE 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 11-621-MIE 2004014

In Canada November 18, 2003, the loonie increased +21.7% to 77.13 cents US over the same date in 2002 (63.39 cents US).

The increasing value of the loonie was responsible for more than one-half of the deceleration in the CPI during 2003.

NATIONAL BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 13-214-XIE

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, national net worth (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.4% to $4.1 trillion over the 4th quarter 2003. Per capita net worth increased to $127,500 over the 4th quarter 2003.

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RETAIL TRADE APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada April 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.8% to $28.4 billion over March 2004, and increased +4.1% over April 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +5.8% to $28.6 billion over April 2003.

In Nova Scotia April 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.0% to $848 million over March 2004, and increased +1.9% over April 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +1.8% to $839 million over April 2003.

NOTE:
Starting with this month's release, data collected from the Monthly Retail Trade Survey are classified according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS 2002), which is not comparable to the previously used Standard Industrial Classification (SIC 1980). Consequently, retail sales estimates have been revised from January 1991 to March 2004.

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MOVIE THEATRES AND DRIVE-INS 2002/03

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87F0009XPB

In Canada 2002/03, attendance at movie threatres and drive-ins increased +5.4% to 125.7 million over 2000/01. Average attendance per capita increased to 4.0 visits from 3.9 (2000/01). In the period, the number of movie threatres declined to 645 (2974 screens) from 744 (3258 screens) in 2000/01.

In Nova Scotia 2002/03, attendance at movie threatres and drive-ins increased +7.5% to 3.5 million over 2000/01. Annual per-capita attendance increased to 3.8 from 3.5 in 2000/01. In the period, the number of movie threatres declined to 21 (87 screens) from 21 (88 screens) in 2000/01.

NATIONAL TOURISM INDICATORS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-009-XIB

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, tourism expenditures (seasonally adjusted, $1997) increased +0.8% to $12.2 billion over the 4th quarter 2003.

Current dollar expenditures (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.5% to $13.4 billion. Employment in tourism industries (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% over the 4th quarter 2003.

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EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, APRIL 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada April 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% to 553,000 over March 2004, and declined -0.8% over April 2003.

In Nova Scotia April 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.7 to 30,760 over March 2004, and increased +3.2% over April 2003.

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX, MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada, May 2004, the raw materials price index (1997=100) increased +2.9% to 129.2 over April 2004, and increased +15.0% over May 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels increased +0.1% to 99.5 over April 2004, and increased +7.0% over May 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +6.2% to 193.5 over April 2004 and increased +25.6% over May 2003.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX MAY 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, May 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +1.5% to 110.8 over April 2004, and increased +5.55% over May 2003.

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HEALTH SERVICES ACCESS SURVEY 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 82-575-XIE

In Canada 2003, the percentage of waiting times longer than 3 months for non-emergency surgeries was 17%. For 1 to 3 months was 42%; for less than one month was 41%.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the percentage of waiting times longer than 3 months for non-emergency surgeries was 24%. For 1 to 3 months was 37%; for less than one month was 39%.

In Canada 2003, the percentage of waiting times longer than 3 months for diagnostic tests was 11.5%. For 1 to 3 months it was 31.1%; for less than one month was 57.5%.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the percentage of waiting times longer than 3 months for diagnostic tests was 7.4%. For 1 to 3 months it was 29.7; for less than one month it was 62.9%.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada April 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $1.04 trillion (annualized) over March 2004, and increased +2.9% over April 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries increased +0.3% to $326.5 billion (annualized) over March 2004, and increased +3.3% over April 2003.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries remained unchanged at $710.7 billion (annualized) over March 2004, and increased +2.7% over April 2003.

In the Information and communications technology sector GDP growth declined -0.3% to $57.9 billion (annualized) over March 2004, and increased +2.5% over April 2003.

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In May 2004 Canada's international merchandise trade surplus (balance of payments basis - seasonally adjusted) was $5.2 billion. The year-to-date surplus was $29.0 billion.

Canada's international merchandise trade exports in May 2004(balance of payments - seasonally adjusted) increased 1.3% over April 2004 to $36.8 billion and increased 12.2% over May 2003. Year-to-date exports rose 1.6% over January-May 2003 to $174.7 billion in Jan-May 2004.

International merchandise trade imports (balance of payments - seasonally adjusted) in Canada during May 2004 increased 7.8% over April 2004 to $31.2 billion and rose 10.3% over May 2003. Year-to-date imports declined 1.2% from January-May 2003 to $145.6 billion over Jan-Apr 2003.

Nova Scotia May 2004

Province of origin, custom basis data (unadjusted) show Nova Scotia domestic exports reached $511.2 million in May 2004, an increase of 12.0% over May 2003. Total Nova Scotia domestic exports during January-May 2004 were $2,232.1 million, down 2.7% from the January-May 2003 period.

Domestic imports to Nova Scotia (province of clearance-unadjusted) were $600.3 million in May 2004, up 35.7% over May 2003. During January-May 2004, domestic imports to Nova Scotia totalled $2,652.3 million, an increase of 3.5% over January-May 2003.

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FARM CASH RECEIPTS 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0002, 002-0003, 002-0005, 002-0007, 002-0009, 002-0012, 003-0025

2nd Quarter

In Canada Apr-Jun 2004, farm cash receipts increased +14.0% to $8.8 billion over Apr-Jun 2003. Livestock cash receipts declined -1.8% to $4.0 billion, crop cash receipts increased +22.4% to $3.7 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased 71.0% to $1.2 billion.

In Nova Scotia Apr-Jun 2004, farm cash receipts increased +5.5% to $96 million over Apr-Jun 2003.

1st half 2004

In Canada Jan-Jun 2004, farm cash receipts increased +6.3% to $17.9 billion over Jan-Jun 2003. Livestock cash receipts declined -5.6% to $8.2 billion, crop cash receipts increased +21.7% to $7.4 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +10.8% to $2.3 billion.

In Nova Scotia Jan-Jun 2004, farm cash receipts increased +8.5% to $204 million over Jan-Jun 2003.

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RETAIL TRADE MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada May 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $28.6 billion over April 2004, and increased +4.6% over May 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +0.4% over May 2003 to $30.5 billion in May 2004.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.7% to $861 million over April 2004, and increased +4.1% over May 2003. Unadjusted sales remained unchanged at $901 million in May 2004, the same level as in May 2003.

NOTE:
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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-02

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 2150

In Canada May 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +1.8% to 8.6 million cubic metres over May 2003. Year to date, January-May 2004 sales increased +4.4% to 41.5 million cubic metres over January-May 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-05

PRIVATE RADIO BROADCASTING 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 56-001-XIE

In Canada 2003, total revenues in the radio industry increased +8.4% to $1.2 billion over 2002. Net operating income increased +6.0% to $192.3 million and average weekly employment increased to 9,009 from 8,934 in 2002.

In Atlantic Canada 2003, total revenues in the radio industry increased +10.3% to $79.7 million over 2002. Net operating income increased +24.4 to $19.5 million and average weekly employment declined to 720 from 745 in 2002.

SCHOOL BOARD REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES 2000

Statistics Canada Cat. CANSIM 478-0010 to 478-0012

In Canada 2000, school board expenditures increased +3.5% to $33.4 billion over 1999. Expenditures per full-time student increased +1.8% to $7,275 over 1999.

In Nova Scotia 2000, school board expenditures increased +0.2% to $810.7 million over 1999. Expenditures per full-time student increased +0.3% to $5,659 over 1999.

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FAMILY FARM INCOME 2001

Statistics Canada 21-019-XIE

In Canada 2001, average total income of farm families (148,560 families) increased +9.7% to $72,674 over 2000. Net farm-operating income was $20,185

The highest average total income was on poultry and egg farms (1,780 families) , where net farm-operating income was $44,866 and total income averaged $92,991.

The lowest average income was on other vegetable (except potato) fams (1970 families) where net farm-operating income was $16,415 and total income was $59,030.

Oilseed and grain farming families (52,810 families) total income increased +13.5% to $80,518. Total off-farm income = $56,897; net farm-operating income = $23,621.

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AGRICULTURE 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0004, 002-0020

In Canada 2003, the value of agriculture production increased +4.1% to $46.6 billion over 2002. Sales declined -9.6% to $36.6 billion; inventories increased +4,3 billion; program payments increased +1.4 billion. Total farm assets increased by +2.4% to $230.9 billion; total farm liabilities increased +7.4% to $43.9 billion.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the value of agriculture production increased +2.4% to $487.1 million over 2002. Sales increased +1.4% to $435 billion. Total farm assets increased by +1.9% to $2.2 billion; total farm liabilities increased +8.3% to $524.8 million.

BUILDING PERMITS MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada May 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -9.5% to $4.1 billion over April 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +6.4% to $21.7 billion over January-May 2003.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -9.1% to $108.1 million over April 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +10.4% to $452.9 million over January-May 2003.

In Halifax May 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -15.0% to $68.06 million over April 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +17.4% to $259.7% million over January-May 2003.

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HOUSEHOLD INTERNET USE SURVEY, 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 358-0002 to 358-0006, 358-0017

In Canada 2003, Household internet use from any location increased +2.6 percentage points to 64.2% over 2002. Internet use from home increased +3.1 percentage points to 54.5%; from work increased +2.3 percentage points to 36.5%; from school increased +0.2 percentage points to 23.1%.

In Nova Scotia 2003, household internet use from any location increased +5.0 percentage points to 63.1% over 2002. Internet use from home increased +6.8 percentage points to 52.7%; from work increased +4.4 percentage points to 35.0%; from school increased +1.5 percentage points to 26.0%.

In Halifax 2003, household internet use from any location increased +7.9 percentage points to 77.7% over 2002. Internet use from home increased +11.5 percentage points to 67.3%; from work increased +6.0 percentage points to 49.9%; from school increased +5.8 percentage points to 33.7%.

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia June 2004 labour force declined -0.3% to 491,600, employment declined -0.2% to 448,100, unemployment declined -0.7% to 43,500 and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 8.8% over May 2004.

In Canada June 2004 labour force increased +0.2% to 17.3 million, employment increased +0.4% to 16.0 million, unemployment increased +1.2% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate increased +0.1 percentage points to 7.3% over May 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia June 2004 labour force increased +2.6% to 463,300, employment increased +2.6% to 463,300, unemployment increased +2.3% to 40,200 and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 8.0% over June 2003.

In Canada June 2004 labour force increased +1.4% to 17.6 million, employment increased +1.9% to 16.4 million, unemployment declined -4.3% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.4 percentage points to 6.8% over June 2003.

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MULTIFACTOR PRODUCTIVITY 2003

Statistics Canada, CANSIM: table 383-0001

Multifactor productivity growth in Canada, in 2003 increased 0.5% over 2002. This was well below the gain of 2.5% for the previous year.

NOTES:
Productivity is an important economic indicator as it is one factor that determines the increase in the standard of living over the long run. Multifactor productivity measures the extent to which inputs are used efficiently in the production process. It is measured as the difference between output growth and the growth of the combined inputs of labour and capital.

http://www.statcan.ca/Daily/English/040714/d040714a.htm

PORT ACTIVITY JAN - JUN 2003

Statistics Canada
(Survey 2751 and 2791; annual data appears in Shipping in Canada, Cat. No. 54-205-XIE)

In Canada during January-June 2003, total tonnage increased 7.7% to 198.1 million metric tonnes over January-June 2002.

In Halifax during January-June 2003, total tonnage rose 17.1% to 7.1 million metric tonnes over January-June 2002. The port ranked number 9 in total tonnage during January to June 2003.

In Port Hawkesbury January to June 2003, total tonnage increased 64.9% to 12.1 million metric tonnes over January-June 2002. The port ranks number 4 in total tonnage during January-June 2003.

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MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia May 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased 1.5% over April 2004 to $794 million.

In Canada May 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased 1.1% over April 2004 to $49.1 billion, and rose 9.5% over May 2003.

Canadian inventories increased 1.4% to $60.2 billion over April 2004, an 11-month high, and declined 1.7% over May 2003.

Unfilled orders in Canada decreased 0.2% over April 2004 to $37.1 billion and declined 1.8% over May 2003.

Canada's new orders decreased 0.8% over April 2004 to $49.0 billion and increased 11.9% over May 2003.

Canada's inventory-to-shipments ratio increased to 1.23 from 1.22 in April 2004, and declined from 1.36 in May 2003.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia May 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted)declined 0.1% over April 2004 to 3,830, and decreased 3.0% over May 2003. Unadjusted unit sales fell 6.1% over May 2003 to 5,651.

In Canada May 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined 3.2% over April 2004 to 133,294, and decreased 6.9% over May 2003. Unadjusted unit sales fell 10.4% over May 2003 to 166,143.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada the June 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased 0.1% over May 2004 to 125.1 and increased 2.5% over June 2003.

The CPI, excluding food and energy, was unchanged from last month at 122.0 and increased 1.5% over June 2003. CPI, excluding the eight most volatile components, increased 0.1% to 124.7 over May 2004 and increased 1.7% over June 2003.

In Nova Scotia the June 2004 the consumer price index (1992=100) increased 0.4% to 126.5 over May 2004 and increased 2.3% over June 2003. The CPI, excluding food and energy, rose 0.3% over May 2004 to 123.1 and increased +0.6% over June 2003.

In Halifax the June 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.3% over May 2004 to 125.4 and increased +2.3% over June 2003.

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CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada May 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$1.3 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$26.3 billion.

In Canada April 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$3.5 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$7.5 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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LARGE RETAILERS MAY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada May 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $7.7 billion over April 2004 and increased +5.3% over May 2003.

In Canada May 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +2.1% to $7.8 billion over May 2003.

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WHOLESALE TRADE MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia May 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) decreased -4.0% to $501 million over April 2004, and decreased -6.5% over May 2003.

In Canada May 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to $37.4 billion over April 2004, and increased +8.4% over May 2003.

In Canada June 2004, wholesale merchants sales of computer and other electronic equipment declined -2.5% to $2.6 billion over May 2004, and increased +8.4% over June 2003.

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada June 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +1.1% to 197.8 over May 2004.

Nine of ten indices were positive. The housing component remained strong with a 3.3% increase over May 2004. The US leading indicator posted its 13th straight gain with growth in 9 out of 10 components.

S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +0.1% to 8,516.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.3% to 114.9.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +1.6% to 125,260.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +1.3% to $22.1 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased +0.03% to 1.84.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +1.1% to $2.0 billion.
The housing index (1992=100)rose +3.0% to 146.2.
Average workweek (hours) increased 0.3% to 39.1 hours.
Other durable goods sales($1992)increased 0.6% to $7.5 billion.

One of ten indices was negative.

Business and personal services employment declined 0.2% to 2.6 million.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada May 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.1% to 3.5 million trips over April 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +7.4% to 3.6 million trips over May 2003.

In Canada May 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.5% to 3.2 million trips over April 2004. Unadjusted trips decreased -17.3% to 3.3 million trips over May 2003.

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AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 51F0001PIE

In Canada June 2004, the number of aircraft take-offs and landings in the 42 airports with NAV CANADA towers decreased -1.7% to 410,935 over June 2003.

At Halifax International airport June 2004, the number of aircraft movements increased +4.3% to 8,315 over June 2003.

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NATURAL GAS SALES MAY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001, 129-0004

In Canada May 2004, natural gas sales increased +0.4% to 4.9 billion cubic metres over May 2003. Year-to-date natural gas sales decreased -2.4% to 36.2 billion cubic metres over Jan-May 2003.

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FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada May 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +2.4% to 101.8 over April 2004 and declined -6.2% over May 2003. The FPPI crops increased +2.5% to 99.4 over April 2004 and declined -7.4% over May 2003. The FPPI livestock increased 2.2% to 103.6 over April 2004 and declined -4.9% over May 2003.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +1.7% over April 2004 to 101.4 and declined -2.1% over May 2003. The FPPI crops declined -0.5% to 96.0 over April 2004 and declined -2.4% over May 2003. The FPPI livestock increased 2.1% to 103.1 over April 2004 and declined -2.7% over May 2003.

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS MAY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 126-0001, 131-0001

In Canada May 2004, crude oil production increased +7.8% to 12.8 million cubic metres over May 2003. Year to date crude oil production increased +8.8% to 62.2 million cubic metres over Jan-Mar 2003.

In Canada May 2004, natural gas production increased +3.0% to 13.9 billion cubic metres over May 2003. Year to date natural gas production increased +2.1% to 72.6 billion cubic metres over Jan-Mar 2003.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, MAY 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada May 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.8% to 546,680 over April 2004, and declined -4.0% over May 2003.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) decreased -3.0% to 29,630 over April 2004, and decreased -0.8% over May 2003.

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EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS MAY2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023 to 281-0046

In Canada May 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.1% to $701.70 over April 2004, and increased +2.1% over May 2003. Employment decreased -0.1% to 13.4 million over April 2004.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) decreased -1.1% to $615.76 over April 2004, and increased +2.7% over May 2003. Employment decreased -0.3% to 378,400 over April 2004.

RADIO LISTENING FALL 2003

Statistics Canada
CANSIM 503-001 to 503-0005.

In Canada Fall 2003, Canadians listened to radio an average of 19.5 hours per week, one hour less than in 1999. Men (18 years +) averaged 20.9 hours, women (18 years +) averaged 20.4 hours and teens, aged 12 to 17, averaged 8.5 hours.

In Nova Scotia Fall 2003, Nova Scotians listened to radio an average of 19.7 hours per week. Men (18 years +) averaged 20.9 hours, women (18 years +) averaged 21.0 hours and teens, aged 12 to 17, averaged 7.9 hours.

CRIME STATISTICS IN CANADA, 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XIE, Vol. 22, No. 6

The rate of total criminal code offences increased +5.5% in Canada and +10.5%in Nova Scotia between 2002 and 2003. All provinces experienced increase in total criminal code offences, with the double-digit increases in three provinces: Saskatchewan (+12.%), Manitoba (+10.7%) and Nova Scotia (+10.5%).

While the rate of voilent crimes dropped by -0.7% in Canada it rose 7.3% in Nova Scotia between 2002 and 2003. The rate of property crime increased in both Canada (+3.7%) and Nova Scotia (+8.1%).

In Halifax, the rate of total criminal offences increased +5.1% between 2002 and 2003. There were 900 break-ins, 440 motor vehicle thefts,141 roberies and 0.8 homicide per 100,000 population in Halifax in 2003.

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DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 2150

In Canada Jume 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +7.0% to 8.5 million cubic metres over June 2003. Year to date, January-June 2004 sales increased +4.8% to 50.1 million cubic metres over January-June 2003.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, June 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) decreased -0.5% to 110.6 over May 2004, and increased +6.4% over June 2003.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada May 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to $1.04 trillion (annualized) over April 2004, and increased +3.2% over May 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries increased +0.6% to $328.4 billion (annualized) over April 2004, and increased +4.0% over May 2003.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries incraesed 0.1% to $713.9 billion (annualized) over April 2004, and increased +2.9% over May 2003.

In the Energy sector GDP growth increased +1.2% to $61.1 billion (annualized) over April 2004, and increased +4.8% over May 2003.

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UNIVERSITY ENROLLMENT 2001/02

Statistics Canada

In Canada 2001/02, full-time and part-time enrollment in universities increased +4.3% to 886,800 students over 2000/2001. Undergradute enrollment increased +3.4% to 689,700 and graduate enrollment increased +5.8% to 126,900 over 2000/2001.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS SURVEY:(NOVA SCOTIA) MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, JULY 2004

Statistics Canada
CANSIM 302-0008

In Nova Scotia July 2004, 43% of manufacturers expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months, an additional 37% believe that volume will increase, and 20% expect volume to decline.

Orders received by 53% of manufacturers are expected to be about right, while 35% expecting increases and 13% declines.

79% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders about the same as in the last quarter, 5% higher than normal and 16% lower than normal.

Most respondents (81%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right, while 5% consider levels to be too low, and 14% believe they are too high.

64% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 17% expect an increase and 19% a decrease.

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EMPLOYER PENSION PLANS 2002

Statistics Canada CANSIM 280-0002 to 284-0004

In Canada 2002, the return on investment (ROI) of trusteed pension plans declined to +1.7% from a high of +12.6% posted in 2000.

In 2002, Employee contributions increased +35% to $6.8 billion over 2000. Employer contributions increased +73% to $12.6 billion over 2000.

INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 8*-001-XIE

In Canada 2004, research and development expenditure intentions are expected to increase +1.6% to $12.5 billion over 2003.

In Canada 2002, research and development expenditure declined to $12.4 billion from the $13.8 billion posted in 2001.

In Nova Scotia 2002, research and development expenditures declined to $65 million from the $79 million posted in 2001.

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia July 2004 labour force declined -0.2% to 490,400, employment increased +0.2% to 449,200, unemployment declined -5.1% to 41,300 and the unemployment rate declined -0.4 percentage points to 8.4% over June 2004.

In Canada July 2004 labour force declined -0.1% to 17.3 million, employment increased +0.1% to 16.0 million, unemployment declined -1.5% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 7.2% over June 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia July 2004 labour force increased +2.2% to 508,500, employment increased +3.3% to 466,200, unemployment declined -9.0% to 42,300 and the unemployment rate declined -1.0 percentage points to 8.3% over July 2003.

In Canada July 2004 labour force increased +1.3% to 17.7 million, employment increased +2.0% to 16.4 million, unemployment declined -6.3% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.6 percentage points to 7.3% over July 2003.

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TOBACCO USE SURVEY 2003

Statistics Canada Survey 4440, Cat. No. 82M0020XCB

In Canada 2003, the number of smokers stood at 5.3 million (21% of population aged 15+) over 2002. Smoking rates for teens (aged 15-19) declined to 18% from 22% in 2002; for young adults (aged 20-24) the smoking rate = 30%.

The survey also reports that 53% of current smokers had used marijuana more than once in their lifetime.

BUILDING PERMITS JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada June 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +27.1% to $5.3 billion over May 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +9.4% to $27.0 billion over January-June 2003.

In Nova Scotia June 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -2.7% to $106.1 million over May 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +9.8% to $560.0 million over January-June 2003.

In Halifax June 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -33.3% to $45.5 million over May 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +5.2% to $305.4% million over January-June 2003.

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PRIVATE SECURITY AND PUBLIC POLICING 2001

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XIE

In Canada 2001, the rate per 100,000 population of security guards and private investigators declined -2% to 280 over 1996. The rate per 100,000 population of police officers increased +2% to 209.

The number of security guards and private investigations increased +2% to 84,000 (security guards = 73,535, pi's = 10,465) and the number of police officer increased +6% over 1996 (police officer = 63,000).

Wages of security guards declined -04% to $27,474; private investigators increaed +2% to $58,596; police officers increased +6% to $59,888.

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada June 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +0.7% to 121.5 over May 2004, and increased +6.2% over June 2003.

In Halifax June 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.8 over May 2004 and increased +1.8% over June 2003.

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PROVINCIAL AND TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE MARCH 31, 2002

Statistics Canada CANSIM 385-0014, 385-0017 to 385-0019

In Canada March 31, 2003, on a Financial Management System basis the provincial/territorial governments net debt increased +2.6% to $255.9 billion over 2002. Per capita debt increased to $8,112 from $7,980. Net debt as a percentage of GDP declined to 21.1% from 22.2%.

In Nova Scotia March 31, 2003, on a Financial Management System basis the provincial/territorial government net debt increased +5.3% to $11.9 billion over 2002. Per capita debt increased to $12,714.

NOTE: The Financial Management System (FMS) is used to produce the government financial statistics presented in this release. FMS standardizes individual government accounts to provide consistent and comparable statistics. As a result, FMS statistics may differ from the figures published in individual government financial statements. A reconciliation statement of FMS to Public Accounts is available from Statistics Canada.

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MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia June 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.6% to $785 million over May 2004.

In Canada June 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.5% to $49.9 billion over May 2004, and rose 12.0% over June 2003.

Inventories increased 0.6% to $60.5 billion over May 2004, and remained unchanged over June 2003.

Unfilled orders increased +0.3% over May 2004 to $37.4 billion and declined -0.4% over June 2003.

New orders increased +1.7% over May 2004 to $50.0 billion and increased +12.9%% over June 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio declined from 1.22 from 1.21 in May 2004, and declined from 1.36 in June 2003.

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada June 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $8.6 billion. The year to date surplus was $38.3 billion.

In Canada June 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.4% to $39.0 billion over May 2004 and increased +20.1% over June 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +4.9% to $214.4 billion over Jan-Jun 2003.

In Canada June 2004, international merchandise trade imports declined -3.7% to 30.4 billion over May 2004, and increased +9.3% over June 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +0.5% to $176,2 billion over Jan-Jun 2003.

Nova Scotia May 2004 (not seasonally adjusted)

In Nova Scotia May 2004, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$77.9 million. The year to date deficit was -$361.6 million.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, international merchandise trade exports increased +13.8% to $522.5 million over April 2004 and increased +12.1% over May 2003. Year-to-date exports declined -2.9% to $2.3 billion over Jan-May 2003.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +15.8% to $600.3 million over April 2004, and increased +35.7% over May 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +3.5% to $2.7 billion over Jan-May 2003.

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MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT PRICE INDEX 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, the machinery and equipment price index (1986=100) increased +2.2% to 131.5 over the 1st quarter 2004, and declined -0.1% over the 2nd quarter 2003.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia June 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted)increased +8.5% over May 2004 to 4,038, and increased +4.4% over June 2003. Unadjusted unit sales increased +16.5% over June 2003 to 5,195.

In Canada June 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% over May 2004 to 130,245, and decreased -1.9% over June 2003. Unadjusted unit sales increased +2.9% over June 2003 to 154,142.

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CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN SERVICES 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-203-XIB, CANSIM 376-0031 - 376-0033, 376-0036, 376-0062

In Canada 2003, the services trade deficit increased by $4.0 billion to $10.9 billion over 2002. at $8.3 billion.

Exports in travel services declined -11.9% to $14.7 billion over 2002. Imports increased +1.5% to $18.6 billion.

Exports in transportation services declined -7.5% to $10.3 billion over 2002. Imports declined -6.9%% to $3.4 billion.

Note: Trade in services covers transactions in travel, transportation, a range of business and professional services referred to as commercial services, and government services.

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IMMIGRANT's IN CANADA'S CMA'S 2001

Statistics Canada 89-613-MIE

In Halifax 2001, the percentage of total population comprised of recent immigrants is 2.1%, an increase from the 1.7% reported in the 1991 census.

APARTMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, the apartment building construction price composite index (1997=100) increased +0.8% to 123.7 over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +2.6% over the 2nd quarter 2003.

In Halifax 2nd quarter 2004, the apartment building construction price index (1997=100) increased +0.9 to 118.9 over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +2.7% over the 2nd quarter 2004.

LARGE RETAILERS JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada June 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $7.7 billion over May 2004 and increased +5.4% over June 2003.

In Canada June 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +6.5% to $7.6 billion over June 2003.

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada June 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$0.8 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$26.6 billion.

In Canada June 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$1.2 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$6.1 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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LIVESTOCK ESTIMATES JULY 1, 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 23-603-XIE

In Canada July 1, 2004, the national herd of cattle increased +6.5% to 16.8 million head. The number of hogs increased +1.4% to 14.8 million head, and the number of sheep declined -0.9% to 1.2 million head.

In Atlantic Canada July 1, 2004, the region's herd of cattle increased +1.4% to 297,000 head. The number of hogs declined -2.2% to 358,000 head, and the number of sheep declined -2.0% to 48,000 head.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada June 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.2% to 3.4 million trips over May 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +0.5% to 3.2 million trips over June 2003.

In Canada June 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to 3.2 million trips over May 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +5.2% to 4.2 million trips over June 2003.

UNIVERSITY FINANCES 2002/03

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 81-003-XIE

In Canada 2002-2003, universities total revenue (constant dollars) increased +6.4% to $18.6 billion over 2001/03. Total expenditures (constant dollars) increased +8.7% to $19.1 billion.

Government revenue increased +8.1% to $10.4 billion, other revenue increased +4.3% to $8.2 billion. Government revenue accounts for 56.0%, and student fees account for 20.5% of total revenue.

Salary and benefits expenditures increased +6.8% to $10.5 billion, scholarships and bursaries increased +10.4% to $751.4 million, buildings increased +39.0% to $1.3 billion, operational expenditures increased +14.2% to $3.1 billion, and other expenditures increased +1.1% to $3.5 billion.

In Nova Scotia 2002-2003, universities total revenue increased to $731.6 million over 2001-2002. Total expenditures (constant dollars) increased to $793.5 million. Government revenue accounts for 40.7%, and student fees account for 30.2% of total revenue.

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WHOLESALE TRADE JUNE 2004
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia June 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.9% to $500 million over May 2004, and decreased -11.2% over June 2003.

In Canada June 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.6% to $37.8 billion over May 2004, and increased +8.6% over June 2003.

In Canada June 2004, wholesale merchants sales of computer and other electronic equipment declined -2.5% to $2.6 billion over May 2004, and increased +8.4% over June 2003.

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CANADIAN FRAMEWORK FOR CULTURE STATISTICS

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 81-595-MIE No. 21
Available, free, on-line at www.statscan.ca

OIL AND GAS EXTRACTION 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 26-213-XIB

In Canada 2003, convential capital expenditures in the oil and gas extraction industry increased +32.5% to 23.8 billion over 2002. Non-coventional oil and gas extraction capital expenditures declined -25.2% to 5.1 billion over 2002.

In Canada 2003, operating expenses in the conventional oil and gas extration industry increased +18.9% to $20.7 billion over 2002. Non-conventional oil and gas operating expenditutes increased +48.5% to 4.1 billion over 2002.

RETAIL TRADE JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada June 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to $28.7 billion over May 2004, and increased +4.9% over June 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +6.9% to $30.8 billion over June 2003.

In Nova Scotia June 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to $862 million over May 2004, and increased +2.9% over June 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +4.3% to $938 million over June 2003.

NOTE:
Starting with April release, data collected from the Monthly Retail Trade Survey are classified according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS 2002), which is not comparable to the previously used Standard Industrial Classification (SIC 1980). Consequently, retail sales estimates have been revised from January 1991 to March 2004.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada the July 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.1% over June 2004 to 125.0 and increased 2.3% over July 2003.

The CPI, excluding food and energy, increased 0.2% to 122.2 and increased 1.6% over July 2003. CPI, excluding the eight most volatile components, increased 0.2% to 124.9 over June 2004 and increased 1.9% over July 2003.

In Nova Scotia the July 2004 the consumer price index (1992=100) increased 0.2% to 126.7 over June 2004 and increased 2.2% over July 2003. The CPI, excluding food and energy, rose 0.2% over June 2004 to 123.4 and increased +0.8% over July 2003.

In Halifax the July 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% over June 2004 to 125.6 and increased +2.1% over July 2003.

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COMPOSITE INDICATORS, JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada July 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.6% to 198.5 over June 2004.

Seven of ten indices were positive. (down 2 from June)

The housing index (1992=100) increased -+1.2% to 147.8.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +1.1% to 127,160.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.2% to 115.1.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.1% to $22.3 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.86.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.8% to $2.0 billion.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) increased +0.8% to $7.6 billion.

One of ten indices were negative. (same as June)

S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) declined -0.8% to 8,450.

Two of ten indicators was unchanged

Business and personal services employment remained unchanged at 2.6 million.
Average workweek (hours) remained unchanged at 38.8 hours.

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EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023 to 281-0046

In Canada June 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to $706.79 over May 2004, and increased +2.3% over June 2003. Employment increased +0.6% to 13.5 million over May 2004.

In Nova Scotia June 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.8% to $646.20 over May 2004, and increased +3.8% over June 2003. Employment increased +1.5% to 381,300 over May 2004.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-008-XIE

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, after-tax profit increased +11.0% to $31.7 billion over 1st quarter 2004 and increased +23.3% over 2nd quarter 2003.

Operating profit increased +4.1% to $50.7 billion over 1st quarter 2004, and increased +23.3% over 2nd quarter 2003. Operating revenue increased +2.1% to $633.2 billion over 1st quarter 2004, and increased +4.1% over 2nd quarter 2003.

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DOMESTIC TRAVEL 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 3810, CANSIM 426-001 to 426-006 (Annual data)

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, Canadian trips within Canada (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.7% to 35.2 million trips over 1st quarter 2003. Expenditures (current$) declined -3.4% to $5.6 billion. Expenditures (1997$) declined -2.5% to $5.0 billion.

CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLERS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada International Travel Survey #3152, 5005

In the 1st quarter 2004, international traveller trips to Canada declined -3.3% to 2.6 million over the 1st quarter 2003. Total expenditures declined -6.3% to $1.8 billion.

In the 1st quarter 2004, Canadian trips abroad increased +11.0% to 5.0 million trips over the 1st quarter 2003. Total expenditures increased +7.7% to $5.0 billion.

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada 2ndt quarter 2004, the international travel account posted a deficit of -$1.1 billion. Total receipts increased +6.1% to $4.1 billion, and total payments declined -0.8% to $5.2 billion over the 1st quarter 2004.

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WAGE SURVEY SEASONAL WORKERS 2003

Statistics Canada Survey #5062

In Atlantic Canada 2003, domestic workers in the nursery and greenhouse occupations earned an average of $7.52 per hour (Canadian low); in British Columbia they earned $9.57 per hour (Canadian high).

In the Praries 2003, foreign workers in the harvesting and farm labour occupations earned an average of $7.09 per hour (Canadian low); in Ontario they earned $7.96 per hour (Canadian high).

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX JULY 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, July 2004, the raw material price index (1997=100) increased +0.9% to 128.8 over June 2004, and increased +17.7% over July 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels increased +0.1% to 99.1 over June 2004, and increased +6.7% over July 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +1.9% to 193.1 over June 2004 and increased +18.8% over July 2003.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JULY 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, July 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) decreased -0.4% to 110.6 over June 2004, and increased +5.0% over July 2003.

BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 67-001-XPB

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, the current account surplus (seasonally adjusted) increased to $10.4 billion from a $8.3 billion surplus in 1st quarter 2004. The goods surplus increased to $20.0 billion, the services deficit declined to -$2.9 billion and the investment income deficit increased to -$6.8 billion.

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CANADIAN ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-010-XIE

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, real gross domestic product ($1997 chained, market prices) increased +1.1% to $1.1 trillion over 1st quarter 2004. Consumer spending increased +0.3% to $637.7 billion; exports (goods & services) increased +5.0% to $473.9 billion.

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004 ($current), corporate profits increased +6.5% to $177.1 billion; personal income increased +1.1% to $636.0 billion.

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, real gross domestic product ($chained 1997) increased +4.3% on an annualized basis (growth rate compounded annually) and increased +3.0% on a year-over-year basis (compared to the same quarter in the previous year).

By comparison in the U.S. 2nd quarter 2004, real gross domestic product increased +2.8% on an annualized basis.

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RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION INVESTMENT 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0013

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, residential construction investment increased +16.3% to $18.5 billion over 2nd quarter 2003. In the first 6 months of 2004, residential construction investment increased +15.7% to $32.3 billion over the first half of 2003.

In Nova Scotia 2nd quarter 2004, residential construction investment increased +12.1% to $426.2 million over 2nd quarter 2003.

Note: residential construction investment includes new housing, renovations and acquistion costs.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 56-002-XIE

In Canada Jan-Mar 2004, operating revenues in the telecommunication services industry increased +1.1% to $8.3 billion over 2003.

Operating revenues in the wireless industry increased +18.5% to $2.2 billion over 1st quarter 2003. Operating profits increased +24.3%.

In the wireline segment of the industry, revenues declined -4.1% to $5.8 billion. However, operating profits increased +1.8% to $1.1 billion.

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DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 2150

In Canada July 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +1.5% to 8.6 million cubic metres over July 2003. Year to date, January-July 2004 sales increased +4.5% to 58.8 million cubic metres over January-July 2003.

UNIVERSITY TUITION FEES 2004/05

Statistics Canada Survey 3123

Nova Scotia average undergraduate tuition fees are the highest and average graduate tution fees are the second highest in the country.

In Canada 2004-2005, average undergraduate tuition fees increased +3.9% to $4,172 over 2003-2004. Average additional compulsory fees increased +2.8% to $608. Average graduate tuiion increased +4.3% to %5,475 over last year.

International students average undergraduate tution fees increased +5.6% to $11,903. Average graduate tuition fees increased +4.5% to $11,307 over 2003-2004.

In Nova Scotia 2004-2005, average undergraduate tuition fees increased +7.7% to $5,984 over 2003-2004. Average additional compulsory fees increased +5.3% to $488. Average graduate tution fees increased +6.8% to $7,345.

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FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada June 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) decline -1.2% to 101.2 over May 2004 and declined -1.0% over May 2003. The FPPI crops declined -1.1% to 99.5 over May 2004 and declined -7.0% over June 2003. The FPPI livestock declined -1.1% to 102.7 over May 2004 and increased +4.7% over June 2003.

In Nova Scotia June 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) declined -1.3% over May 2004 to 101.5 and declined -1.5% over June 2003. The FPPI crops declined -3.5% to 92.9 over May 2004 and declined -4.6% over June 2003. The FPPI livestock declined -0.4% to 104.4 over May 2004 and increased +3.2% over June 2003.

BUILDING PERMITS JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada July 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -11.4% to $4.8 billion over June 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +8.6% to $31.9 billion over January-July 2003.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -11.1% to $105.1 million over June 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +9.2% to $665.3 million over January-July 2003.

In Halifax July 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +37.7% to $64.1 million over June 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +4.9% to $370.5% million over January-July 2003.

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SUMMARY PUBLIC SCHOOL INDICATORS 2002-2003

Statistics Canada81-595-MIE #22

In Canada 2002-2003, headcount enrollments declined -0.3% to 5.3 million over 2001-2002.
Total expenditures per student as a percentage of GDP declined -0.6% to 3.3%.(current$).

In Nova Scotia 2002-2003, headcount enrollments declined -1.9% to 150,599 over 2001-2002. Total expenditures per student as a percentage of GDP declined -4.7% to 3.4%.(current$).

FERTILIZER AND PESTICIDES MANAGEMENT

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-021-MIE

In Canada 2001 of 170,650 farms 74.5% or 127,075 applied commercial fertilizer. Only 14.8% or 25,310 farms have a formal nutrient management plan in place.

In Nova Scotia 2001 of 1,940 farms 75.8% or 1,470 applied commercial fertilizer. Only 5.2% or 100 farms have a formal nutrient management plan in place.

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NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada July 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +0.2% to 123.7 over June 2004, and increased +6.0% over July 2003.

In Halifax July 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.8 over June 2004 and increased +1.8% over July 2003.

CULTURE SERVICES TRADE 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87-213-XIE

In Canada 2002, the total culture services trade deficit (current $) declined to $0.9 billion over 2001.

Total culture services exports (current $) increased +15.3% to $2.6 billion over 2001. Total culture services im (current $) increased +6.2% to $3.6 billion over 2001.

INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY UTILIZATION RATES 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 028-0002

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, the industrial capacity utilization rate (ratio of actual to potential output) increased +1.2 percentage points to 84.6 over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +3.2 percentage points over 2nd quarter 2003.

The Forestry and logging sector capacity utilization rate increased +3.0 percentage points to 90.2 over the 1st quarter 2004, and declined -4.7 percentage points over 2nd quarter 2003.

The Oil and Gas Extraction sector capacity utilization rate increased +1.0 percentage points to 65.2 over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +2.1 percentage points over 2nd quarter 2003.

The Construction sector capacity utilization rate declined -0.2 percentage points to 86.4 over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +0.5 percentage points over 2nd quarter 2003.

The Manufacturing sector capacity utilization rate increased +1.6 percentage points to 86.6 over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +4.4 percentage points over 2nd quarter 2003.

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The Computer and electronic products sector capacity utilization rate increased +1.0 percentage points to 78.1 over the 1st quarter 2004 and +10.5 percentage points over the 2nd quarter 2003.

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia August 2004 labour force declined -0.2% to 489,600, employment declined -0.6% to 446,700, unemployment increased +3.9% to 42,900 and the unemployment rate increased +0.4 percentage points to 8.8% over July 2004.

In Canada August 2004 labour force remained unchanged at 17.3 million, employment remained unchanged at 16.0 million, unemployment increased +0.8% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 7.2% over July 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia August 2004 labour force increased +1.3% to 505,600, employment increased +3.1% to 463,000, unemployment declined -14.3% to 42,600 and the unemployment rate declined -1.6 percentage points to 8.4% over August 2003.

In Canada August 2004 labour force increased +1.0% to 17.7 million, employment increased +1.8% to 16.4 million, unemployment declined -8.0% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.7 percentage points to 7.5% over August 2003.

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LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-010-XIE, CANSIM 383-0008, 383-0012

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004 business sector labour productivity (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +0.4% over the 2nd quarter 2003.

Hourly compensation (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +1.0 over the 2nd quarter 2003.

Unit labour costs (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.1% over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +0.7% over the 2nd quarter 2003.

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NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia July 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted)declined -7.8% over June 2004 to 3,733, and declined -15.8% over July 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -18.5% to 3,955 over July 2003.

In Canada July 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.3% over June 2004 to 133,240, and declined -7.4% over July 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -8.3% to 136,582 over July 2003.

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CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-202-XIB

In 2nd quarter 2004, Canada's net foreign liability (difference between external assets and external liability) improved to -$175.9 billion (13.7% of GDP) from -$186.4 billion (14.8% of GDP) in 1st quarter 2004.

Total assets increased +$59.8 billion to $933.3 billion over the 1st quarter 2004.

Total liabilities increased +$49.3 billion to $1,119.7 billion over the 1st quarter 2004.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia July 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.6% to $774 million over June 2004.

In Canada July 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $50.2 billion over June 2004, and increased +9.9% over July 2003.

Inventories increased +0.6% to $60.8 billion over June 2004, and increased +1.1% over July 2003.

Unfilled orders increased +1.7% over June 2004 to $38.0 billion and increased +2.7% over July 2003.

New orders increased +1.4% over June 2004 to $50.9 billion and increased +12.6%% over July 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio remained unchanged at 1.21 over June 2004, and declined from 1.31 in July 2003.

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NATIONAL BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS 2NDQUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 13-214-XIE

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, national net worth (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.2% to $4.3 trillion over the 1st quarter 2004. Per capita net worth increased $3,100 to $131,100 over the 1st quarter 2004.

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada July 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$3.7 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$31.7 billion.

In Canada July 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$0.6 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$6.8 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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LARGE RETAILERS JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada July 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.8% to $7.8 billion over June 2004 and increased +7.1% over July 2003.

In Canada July 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +10.7% to $7.9 billion over July 2003.

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada July 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 199.2 over July 2004.

Eight of ten indices were positive. (up 1 from July)

The housing index (1992=100) increased +0.4% to 148.2.
Business and personal services employment increased +0.1% to 2.6 million.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +0.8% to 128,240.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.2% to 115.4.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.1% to $22.6 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.89.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.4% to $2.0 billion.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) increased +1.0% to $7.6 billion.

One of ten indices were negative. (up 1 from June)

S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) declinedv -0.5+% to 8,408.
Average workweek (hours) declined -0.3% to 38.5 hours.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada the August 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.2% over July 2004 to 124.8 and increased 1.9% over August 2003.

The CPI, excluding food and energy, declined -0.2% to 121.9 and increased 1.2% over August 2003. CPI, excluding the eight most volatile components, declined -0.2% to 124.7 over June 2004 and increased 1.5% over August 2003.

In Nova Scotia the August 2004 the consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.1% to 126.6 over July 2004 and increased 2.0% over August 2003. The CPI, excluding food and energy, declined -0.1% over July 2004 to 123.3 and increased +1.0% over August 2003.

In Halifax the August 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 125.6 over July 2004 and increased +2.0% over August 2003.

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VALUE OF VOLUNTEER WORK 2000

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-015-XIE

In Canada 2000, the value of volunteer work declined to 1.4% of GDP ($14,041) from 1.7% of GDP ($14,143) posted in 1997.

The percentage of Canadians who volunteered their time declined to 26.7% (6.5 million) from 31% in 1997.

The number of hours volunteered declined to 1.056 billion from 1.112 billion in 1997.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada July 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.9% to 3.3 million trips over June 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +3.2% to 4.1 million trips over July 2003.

In Canada July 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.4% to 3.2 million trips over June 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +5.9% to 5.6 million trips over July 2003.

WHOLESALE TRADE JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia July 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to $503 million over June 2004, and decreased -5.8% over July 2003.

In Canada July 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $37.9 billion over June 2004, and increased +8.4% over July 2003.

In Canada July 2004, wholesale merchants sales of computer and other electronic equipment increased +2.6% to $2.7 billion over June 2004, and increased +2.4% over July 2003.

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ENVIRONMENT INDUSTRY 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 16F0008XIE

In Canada 2002, environment industry revenues from environmental goods ($6.6 billion) and services ($7 billion), and environment-related construction projects ($2.2 billion) increased +8% to $15.8 billion over 2000. The number of firms increased to 7,967 from 7,493 in 2000. SME's (93% of firms, firms with less than 100 employees) contributed 54% of total revenue.

In Nova Scotia 2002, environment industry goods totaled $18.4 million; environment services totaled $9.6 million; exports totaled $28.0 million.

RETAIL TRADE JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada July 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $28.9 billion over June 2004, and increased +3.8% over July 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +5.4% to $31.0 billion over July 2003.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.6% to $853 million over June 2004, and increased +1.6% over July 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +3.6% to $944 million over July 2003.

NOTE:
Starting with April release, data collected from the Monthly Retail Trade Survey are classified according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS 2002), which is not comparable to the previously used Standard Industrial Classification (SIC 1980). Consequently, retail sales estimates have been revised from January 1991 to March 2004.

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EMPLOYER-SPONSORED PENSION PLANS 2002

Statistics Canada 13F0026MIE, 74-508-XWE

In Canada 2002, the percentage of workers covered by a registered pension plan (RPP) declined -0.5 percentage points to 39.6 (5.52 million workers) over 2001. Total annual contributions increased +14% to $23.5 billion (constant$) over 2001.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the percentage of workers covered by a registered pension plan (RPP) increased +0.2 percentage points to 41.8% (165,323 workers) over 2001.

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CONECTIVITY AND LEARNING IN SCHOOLS 2003/04

Statistics Canada Cat. 56F0004MIE

In Canada 2003/2004 the proportion of schools with internet connected computer was 97.7%.
The proportion of school computer connected to the internet was 92.7%. The percentage of school computers was desktops = 94.4% and laptops = 5.6%.

In Nova Scotia 2003/2004, the proportion of schools with internet connected computer was 98.6%. The proportion of school computer connected to the internet was 95.8%. The percentage of school computers was desktops = 95.4% and laptops = 4.6%.

NATURAL GAS SALES JULY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001 to 129-0004

In Canada July 2004, natural gas sales increased +4.6% to 3.7 billion cubic metres over July 2003. Year-to-date natural gas sales declined -0.9% to 44.6 billion cubic metres over Jan-Jul 2003.

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FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada July 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) decline -1.3% to 99.7 over June 2004 and increased +3.4% over July 2003. The FPPI crops declined -2.4% to 96.5 over June 2004 and declined -8.6% over July 2003. The FPPI livestock declined -0.1% to 102.8 over June 2004 and increased +17.2% over July 2003.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) declined -3.5% to 97.9 over June 2004 and declined -2.5% over July 2003. The FPPI crops declined -10.5% to 82.4 over June 2004 and declined -14.4% over July 2003. The FPPI livestock increased +3.4% to 107.9 over June 2004 and increased +3.2% over July 2003.

DEATHS 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F0211XIE

In Canada 2002, the number of deaths increased +1.9% to 223,603 over 2001. Life expectancy at birth is 77.2 years for men and 82.1 years for women.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the number of deaths increased +1.5% to 7,997 over 2001. Life expectancy at birth is 76.4 years for men and 81.5 years for women.

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SANDWICH GENERATION 2002

Statistics Canada 75-001 Vol 5 No 9

In Canada 2002, about 27% of the population aged 45 to 64 with unmarried children where 'sanwiched' between caring for their children and their parents. Within the sandwiched group women on average contributed 29 hours per month to the care of the elderly, while men on average contributed 13 hours per month.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, JULY 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada July 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) decreased -1.9% to 527,900 over June 2004, and declined -9.6% over July 2003.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.9% to 29,450 over June 2004, and decreased -3.4% over July 2003.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS JULY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023 to 281-0046

In Canada July 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.3% to $700.13 over June 2004, and increased +1.3% over July 2003. Employment increased +0.2% to 13.6 million over June 2004.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at $617.53 over June 2004, and increased +3.2% over July 2003. Employment increased +0.2% to 381,600 over June 2004.

NATIONAL TOURISM INDICATORS 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-009-XIB

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, tourism expenditures (seasonally adjusted, $1997) increased +1.4% to $12.4 billion over the 1st quarter 2004.

Current dollar expenditures (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.5% to $13.7 billion. Employment in tourism industries (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.6% over the 1st quarter 2004.

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HOMCIDES 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002 Vol 24 No. 8.

In Canada 2003, the number of homicides declined to 548 from 582 in 2002. The rate per 100,000 persons was 1.73.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the number of homicides declined to 8 from 9 in 2002. The rate per 100,000 persons was 0.85.

DEMOGRAPHICS JULY 1, 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 91-002-XIB

As of July 1, 2004 the Canadian population increased +0.9% to 31.9 million over July 1, 2003.

In Nova Scotia July 1, 2004, the population increased +0.1% to 936,960 over the same period last year

MIGRATION 2003

Statistics Canada

In Halifax 2002/2003, the net census metropolitan area migration rate per 1,000 population declined to 5.1 from 6.0 in 2001/2002. Total in migration was 15,677; total out migration was 13,784 for a net gain of 1,893.

KNOWLEDGE-BASED ECONOMY 2000

Statistics Canada 11F0019MIE No. 232

In Canada 2000, employment increased +49% over 1981. In low-knowledge sector employment increased +32% over 1981; medium-knowledge sector increased +52%; high-knowledge sector increased +84%. in the economy

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, August 2004, the raw material price index (1997=100) increased +3.3% to 133.2 over July 2004, and increased +20.9% over August 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels declined -1.5% to 97.8 over July 2004, and increased +14.8% over August 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +8.6% to 209.7 over July 2004 and increased +27.6% over August 2003.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, August 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +0.1% to 110.9 over July 2004, and increased +4.9% over August 2003.

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CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS JULY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 126-0001, 131-0001

In Canada July 2004, crude oil production declined -2.2% to 12.7 million cubic metres over June 2003. Year to date crude oil production increased +6.5% to 87.6 million cubic metres over Jan-Jul 2003.

In Canada July 2004, natural gas production increased +3.4% to 13.8 billion cubic metres over June 2003. Year to date natural gas production increased +2.1% to 99.5 billion cubic metres over Jan-Jul 2003.

ENERGY CONSUMPTION BY MANUFACTURERS 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 128-0005 - 128-0006

In Canada 2003, energy consumption by manufacturers increased +0.5% to 2,562,752 tetrajoules over 2002.

Note: 1,000 tetrajoules is approximates the amount of energy required to operate the Montreal subway system for one year.

ENERGY SUPPLY AND DEMAND 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 57-003-XIB, CANSIM 128-0001 - 128-0003

In Canada 2003, energy consumption increased +3.0% to 7,605 petajoules over 2002.
In Canada 2003, energy production declined -0.2% to 16,131 petajoules over 2002.

In Nova Scotia 2003, energy consumption increased +4.0% to 181 petajoules over 2002.

Note: One petajoules is approximates the amount of energy required to operate the Montreal subway system for one year.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada July 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $1.05 trillion (annualized) over June 2004, and increased +3.1% over July 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries increased +0.2% to $328.3 billion (annualized) over June 2004, and increased +3.8% over July 2003.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries incraesed 0.1% to $719.4 billion (annualized) over June 2004, and increased +2.7% over July 2003.

In the Energy sector GDP growth increased +0.1% to $60.0 billion (annualized) over June 2004, and declined -0.2% over July 2003.

In the ICT sector GDP growth increased +1.5% to $61.4 billion (annualized) over June 2004, and increased +5.3% over July 2003.

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MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL SALES 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 404-0002, 405-0003

In Canada 2003, gross sales of gasoline increased +1.2% to 39.7 billion litres over 2002. At 15.5 billion litres, Ontario and Quebec account for 60% of fuel comsumed in Canada.

In Nova Scotia 2003, gross sales of gasoline increased +0.3% to 1.2 billion litres (3.1% of Canadian consumption) over 2002.

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 2150

In Canada August 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +3.5% to 9.0 million cubic metres over August 2003. Year to date, January-August 2004 sales increased +4.5% to 67.8 million cubic metres over January-August 2003.

2004-10-06

PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS PRODUCTION 2004

Statistics Canada 22-002-XIB

In Canada September 2004, the production estimates of wheat (total) increased +3.9% to 24.5 million tonnes over 2003.

Barley increased +5.8% to 13.0 million tonnes, canola increased +3.4% to 7.0 million tonnes, field peas increased +55.7% to 3.3 million tonnes and soybeans increased +29.0% to 2.9 million tonnes.

Oats declined -5.5% to 3.5 million tonnes and grain corn declined -11.0% to 8.0 million tonnes.

BUILDING PERMITS AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada August 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -4.6% to $4.5 billion over July 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +8.9% to $36.4 billion over January-August 2003.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -14.2% to $69.5 million over July 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +16.7% to $513.8 million over January-August 2003.

In Halifax August 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -27.8% to $46.0 million over July 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +5.4% to $416.1 million over January-August 2003.

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2004-10-08

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia September 2004 labour force increased +0.1% to 490,000, employment remained unchanged at 446,900, unemployment increased +0.5% to 43,100 and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 8.8% over August 2004.

In Canada September 2004 labour force increased +0.1% to 17.3 million, employment increased +0.3% to 16.1 million, unemployment declined -2.0% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 7.1% over August 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia September 2004 labour force increased +1.4% to 489,700, employment increased +2.2% to 450,300, unemployment declined -7.5% to 39,300 and the unemployment rate declined -0.8 percentage points to 8.0% over September 2003.

In Canada September 2004 labour force increased +1.1% to 17.3 million, employment increased +2.0% to 16.1 million, unemployment declined -10.0% to 1.1 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.8 percentage points to 6.6% over September 2003.

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INVESTMENT IN NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0016

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, investment (seasonally adjusted) in non-residential building construction declined -0.9% to $6.6 billion over 2nd quarter 2004.

In Nova Scotia 3rd quarter 2004, investment (seasonally adjusted) in non-residential building construction increased +33.8% to $240 million over 2nd quarter 2004.

In Halifax 3rd quarter 2004, investment (seasonally adjusted) in non-residential building construction increased +11.3% to $87 million over 2nd quarter 2004.

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada August 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +0.5% to 124.3 over July 2004, and increased +6.0% over August 2003.

In Halifax August 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.8 over July 2004 and increased +1.8% over August 2003.

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YOUTH CUSTODY STATISTICS 2002/03

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XIE Vol24 No 9.

In Canada 2002/03, there were an average of 29,418 youth aged 12 to 17 in the correctional system - remand = 849; secure custody = 1,067; open custody = 1,064; probation = 26,438. The incarceration rate per 10,000 youth declined to 12.5 from 13.4 in 2001/02.

In Nova Scotia 2002/03, there were an average of 1,003 youth aged 12 to 17 in the correctional system - remand = 22; secure custody = 21; open custody = 85; probation = 875. The incarceration rate per 10,000 youth increased to 17.0 from 15.9 in 2001/02.

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NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia August 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted)increased +1.2% to 3,769 over July 2004, and declined -5.9% over August 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -4.9% to 3,848 over August 2003.

In Canada August 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.2% to 131,543 over July 2004, and declined -7.6% over August 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -6.1% to 136,200 over August 2003.

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada August 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $7.4 billion. The year to date surplus was $49.3 billion.

In Canada August 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.4% to $37.7 billion over July 2004 and increased +18.4% over August 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +6.7% to $287.4 billion over Jan-Aug 2003.

In Canada August 2004, international merchandise trade imports declined -4.4% to 30.3 billion over July 2004, and increased +12.4% over August 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +3.3% to $238.1 billion over Jan-Aug 2003.

Nova Scotia July 2004 (not seasonally adjusted)

In Nova Scotia July 2004, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$64.8 million. The year to date deficit was -$552.8 million.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, international merchandise trade exports increased +5.5% to $575.1 million over June 2004 and increased +14.8% over August 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +2.7% to $3.4 billion over Jan-Jul 2003.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, international merchandise trade imports declined -5.4% to $639.9 million over June 2004, and increased +43.2% over August 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +14.8% to $4.0 billion over Jan-Jul 2003.

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2004-10-15

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia August 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -5.3% to $738 million over July 2004.

In Canada August 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.8% to $50.8 billion over July 2004, and increased +17.4% over August 2003.

Inventories increased +1.4% to $61.8 billion over July 2004, and increased +3.8% over August 2003.

Unfilled orders declined -1.1% to $37.4 billion over July 2004, and increased +2.7% over August 2003.

New orders -1.1% to $50.4 billion over July 2004 and increased +18.1%% over August 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio increased to 1.22 over July 2004, and declined from 1.38 in August 2003.

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2004-10-18

LARGE RETAILERS AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada August 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.6% to $7.7 billion over July 2004 and increased +4.6% over August 2003.

In Canada August 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +0.4% to $7.5 billion over August 2003.

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada August 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$897 million. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$31.5 billion.

In Canada August 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an inflow of +$1.1 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$5.8 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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USE OF HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOMS 2003

Statistics Canada 82-003-XIE Vol 16 No 1

In Canada 2003 the percentage of the household population aged 15 years plus reporting at least one emergency room visit was 13% (3.3 million). The percentage of emergency room users who reported being somewhat to very dissatisfied with the ER service was 20%.

In Nova Scotia 2003 the percentage of the household population aged 15 years plus reporting at least one emergency room visit was 15% (108,000). The percentage of emergency room users who reported being somewhat to very dissatisfied with the ER service was 25%.

ENVIRONMENTAL EXPENDITURES 2002

Statistics Canada Survey 1903

In Canada 2002, the Survey of Environmental Protection Expenditures indicated that operating expenditure on environmental protection by industry increased +24% to $3.6 billion over 2000. Capital expenditures increased +35% to $2.9 billion over 2000.

The greaterst increase was in the petroleum and coal products industry where capital expenditures reached $871.3 million.

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2004-10-20

AQUACULTURE STATISTICS 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 23-222-XIE

In Canada 2003, the gross value added (factor cost) of the aquaculture industry declined -2% to $216.1 million over 2002. Total operating revenues declined -3% to $731.5 million over 2002. The value of exports increased +6.7% to $474.0 million.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the gross value added (factor cost) of the aquaculture industry increased +39.5% to $14.7 million over 2002. Total operating revenues increased +19.2% to to $29.2 million over 2002.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada August 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.2% to 3.3 million trips over July 2004. Unadjusted trips declined -1.7% to 4.3 million trips over August 2003.

In Canada August 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -4.0% to 3.0 million trips over July 2004. Unadjusted trips declined -4.9% to 5.2 million trips over August 2003.

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada September 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 199.9 over August 2004.

Six of ten indices were positive. (down 1 from August)

Business and personal services employment increased +0.1% to 2.6 million.
S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +1.0% to 8,493.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +0.8% to 129,238.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.7% to $23.2 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.90.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.6% to $2.1 billion.

Three of ten indices were negative. (up 2 from August)

The housing index (1992=100) declined -0.8% to 144.8.
Average workweek (hours) declined -0.3% to 38.4 hours.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) declined -0.2% to $7.6 billion.

One of ten indices remained unchanged

The US composite leading indicator remained unchanged at 115.4.

WHOLESALE TRADE AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia August 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +8.9% to $553 million over July 2004, and increased +3.2% over August 2003.

In Canada August 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.7% to $38.3 billion over July 2004, and increased +15.8% over August 2003.

In Canada August 2004, wholesale merchants sales of computer and other electronic equipment increased +3.8% to $2.8 billion over July 2004, and increased +17.1% over August 2003.

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RENEWING CANADA'S MANUFACTURING ECONOMY 1961 - 1999

Statistics Canada 11F0027MIE No. 23, 11-624-MIE No. 008

Renewal process. In Canada 1973 to 1996, about two-thirds of manufacturing jobs were created since 1973. Seventy-five (75) percent of these new jobs were the result of new plants being established. Over 55% of the new jobs were created by new businesses.

Renewal rate (i.e. potential for long-term growth) for Canada in the period 1973 to 1996 was 63.5%; for the Maritimesw the rate was 53.5%.

RETAIL TRADE AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada August 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.8% to $29.1 billion over July 2004, and increased +4.8% over August 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +2.2% to $29.7 billion over August 2003.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at $854 million over July 2004, and increased +1.6% over August 2003. Unadjusted sales declined -0.4% to $881 million over August 2003.

NOTE:
Starting with April release, data collected from the Monthly Retail Trade Survey are classified according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS 2002), which is not comparable to the previously used Standard Industrial Classification (SIC 1980). Consequently, retail sales estimates have been revised from January 1991 to March 2004.

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CMA's AS CULTURE CLUSTERS 2001

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 89-613-MIE

In Canada's 27 census metropolitan ares 2001, 3.83% of the labour force is in culture industries.

Of the CMA's Halifax ranks 4th. In Halifax 2001, 4.28% of the labour force is in culture industries.

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2004-10-25

HERITAGE INSTITUTIONS 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87F0002XIE

In Canada 2002, total attendance at national parks declined -0.7% to 117.4 million over 1999. Operating revenues increased +19.5% to $1.7 billion, and operating expenditures increased +22.0% to $1.6 billion over 1999.

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada August 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +0.8% to 100.5 over July 2004 and increased +5.2% over August 2003. The FPPI crops increased +3.2% to 99.7 over July 2004 and declined -2.9% over August 2003. The FPPI livestock declined -1.3% to 101.3 over July 2004 and increased +15.5% over August 2003.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +7.7% to 102.4 over July 2004 and increased +1.5% over August 2003. The FPPI crops increased +23.3% to 101.6 over July 2004 and increased +1.7% over August 2003. The FPPI livestock declined -1.7% to 101.5 over July 2004 and increased +2.6% over August 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-26

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada the September 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 124.9 over August 2004 and increased +1.8% over September 2003.

The CPI, excluding food and energy increased +0.3% to 122.3 over August 2004 and increased +1.2% over September 2003. CPI, excluding the eight most volatile components, increased +0.3% to 125.1 over August 2004 and increased +1.5% over September 2003.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 126.8 over August 2004 and increased 2.2% over September 2003. The CPI, excluding food and energy, increased +0.1% to 123.4 over August 2004 and increased +0.7% over September 2003.

In Halifax the September 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 125.7 over August 2004 and increased +2.0% over September 2003.

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NEW PUBLICATIONS

The following publications are recent releases from Economic and Statistics Division, Nova Scotia Department of Finance.

Nova Scotia at a Glance 2004

Nova Scotia Statistical Review 2004

Nova Scotia Economic Overview 2004

Consumer Price Index September 2004

Economic Indicators September 2004

HUMAN ACTIVITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT 2004

Statistics Canada 16-201-XIE

In 2004, Canadians produced 45% more energy than they consumed. Per capita consumption increased to 353 gigajoutles (e.g. gigajoule = 30-litres of gasoline) in 2002 from 222 gigajoules in 1967.

ADULT CORRECTIONAL SERVICES 2002/03

Statistics Canada 85-002 Vol 24 No 10

In Canada 2002/03, the average daily cost of persons in provincial/territorial custody increased +3.2$ to $117.77 ($1992/93 constant $) over 2001/02. The adjusted average daily count of persons in provincial/territorial custody increased +2.2% to 19,004 (12.2% of total) over 2001/02.

In Canada 2002/03, the average daily cost of persons in provincial/territorial community supervision services increased +1.1% to $4.10 ($1992/93 constant $) over 2001/02. The adjusted average daily count of persons in provincial community supervision services increased +1.2% to 116,545 (75% of total) over 2001/02.

Custody = sentenced, remand, temporary detention)

Community supervision = probation, parole, conditional sentence.

PREGNANCIES 1974 to 2001

Statistics Canada CANSIM 106-9002

In Canada 2001, total pregnancies increased +2.5% to 449,270 over 1974. The rate per 1,000 women declined -26.3% to 56.

In Nova Scotia 2001, total pregnancies -29.1% to 10,920 over 1974. The rate per 1,000 women declined -42.3% to 45.7.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023 to 281-0046

In Canada August 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to $697.94 over July 2004, and increased +1.8% over August 2003. Employment declined -0.1% to 13.5 million over July 2004.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to $618.12 over July 2004, and increased +3.4% over July 2003. Employment declined -0.1% to 380,000 over July 2004.

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2004-10-28

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, September 2004, the raw material price index (1997=100) increased +0.3% to 134.2 over August 2004, and increased +25.0% over September 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels declined -0.5% to 98.2 over August 2004, and increased +11.1% over September 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +1.2% to 212.2 over August 2004 and increased +43.0% over September 2003.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX SEPTEMBER2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, September 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) declined -0.6% to 110.7 over August 2004, and increased +4.6% over September 2003.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS SURVEY:(NOVA SCOTIA) MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada
CANSIM 302-0007 302-0008

NOVA SCOTIA

In Nova Scotia October 2004, 57% of manufacturers expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months, an additional 29% believe that volume will increase, and 14% expect volume to decline.

Orders received by 38% of manufacturers are expected to be about right, while 50% expecting increases and 12% declines.

88% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders about the same as in the last quarter, 7% higher than normal and 5% lower than normal.

Most respondents (55%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right, while 4% consider levels to be too low, and 40% believe they are too high.

48% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 30% expect an increase and 23% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (76%) do not foresee any production difficulties, 6% think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage, 6% a raw materials shortage, 2% a working capital shortage, and 2% expect an unskilled labour shortage.

CANADA

In Canada October 2004, 69% of manufacturers expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months, an additional 22% believe that volume will increase, and 9% expect volume to decline.

Orders received by 78% of manufacturers are expected to be about right, while 18% expecting increases and 4% declines.

61% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders to be about normal, 4% higher than normal and 17% lower than normal.

Most respondents (79%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right, while 4% consider levels to be too low, and 17% believe they are too high.

73% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 18% expect an increase and 9% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (81%) do not foresee any production difficulties, 6% think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage, 5% a raw materials shortage, 3% expect an unskilled labour shortage and 2% a working capital shortage.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-29

CONTROL AND SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, March 31, 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-202.XIB

In Canada fiscal year ending March 31, 2002 , the sale of alcoholic beverages totalled $15.4 billion, up 6.0% from the previous year. Beer accounted for $7.8 billion, spirits $3.8 billion and wine $3.4 billion.

In Nova Scotia fiscal year ending March 31, 2002 , the sale of alcoholic beverages totalled $446.4 million. Beer accounted for $224.6 million, spirits $154.4 million and wine $68.3 million.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AUGUST 2004

Ref: Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada August 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $1.05 trillion (annualized) over July 2004, and increased +4.6% over August 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries increased +0.6% to $330.6 billion (annualized) over July 2004, and increased +5.3% over August 2003.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries incraesed 0.4% to $723.1 billion (annualized) over July 2004, and increased +4.3% over August 2003.

In the Energy sector GDP growth increased +1.1% to $62.4 billion (annualized) over July 2004, and increased +0.7% over August 2003.

In the ICT sector GDP growth increased +1.1% to $62.3 billion (annualized) over July 2004, and increased +14.4% over August 2003.

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RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 88F0006XIE No. 018

In Canada 2003, of the estimated $22 billion research and development expenditure, 10% was performed by the federal government and 35% by universities.

RRSP CONTRIBUTIONS

Statistics Canada CANSIM 111-0039 to 111-0041

In Canada 2003, the number of registered retirement savings plan (RRSP) contributers declined -0.7% to 5.9 million over 2002. Contributions increased +1.8% to $27.6 billion. Median contribution = $2,6000.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the number of registered retirement savings plan (RRSP) contributers declined -0.9% to 131,130 over 2002. Contributions declined -0.6% to $548 million. Median contribution = $2,0000.

FOREIGN CONTROL IN THE CANADIAN ECONOMY 2001 AND 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-220-XIE

In Canada 2002, assets of foreign-controlled enterprises increased +4.3% to $954 billion (or 21.7% of total assets) over 2001. Operating revenues declined -1.6% to $704 billion (or 28.9% of total operating revenue). Operating profit declined -1.9% to $50 billion.

In Canada 2002, assets of Canadian-controlled enterprises increased +4.7% to $3.4 trillion over 2001. Operating revenues increased +2.2% to $1.7 trillion. Operating profit increased +2.2% to $123 billion.

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DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 2150

In Canada September 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +1.4% to 8.3 million cubic metres over September 2003. Year to date, January-September 2004 sales increased +3.9% to 76.0 million cubic metres over January-September 2003.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 56-002-XIE

In Canada Apr-Jun 2004, operating profits in the telecommunication services industry increased +26.1% to $1.8 billion over the 2nd 2003. Operating revenues increased +4.7% to $8.5 billion and operating expenses remained unchanged at $6.6 billion.

Operating revenues in the wireless industry increased +18.7% to $2.3 billion over 2nd quarter 2003. Operating profits increased +87.0% to $663.4 million. The number of subscribers have increased +12% to 13.8 million as of June 30.

SAVERS, INVESTORS AND INVESTMENT INCOME 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 17C0007, 17C0008, 17C0009, 17C0012

In 2003, the number of Canadians reporting investment income declined -1.3% to 7.4 million and investment income declined -0.6% to $30.1 billion, over 2002.

In 2003, the number of Nova SCotians reporting investment income declined -4.8% to 176,170 and investment income increased 1.8% to $713.7 million, over 2002.

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CHARITABLE DONORS 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13C0014

In Canada 2003, charitable donations (current dollars) increased +11.4% to $6.5 billion over 2002. The number of taxfilers reporting charitable donations increased +1.2% to 5.6 million, or 25% of all taxfilers. The median donation increased $10 to $220.

In Nova Scotia 2003, charitable donations increased +9.2% to $144.6 million over 2002. The number of taxfilers reporting charitable donations increased +0.9% to 156,990 or 23% of all taxfilers. The median donation remained unchanged at $270.

BUILDING PERMITS SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada September 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.3% to $4.4 billion over August 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +7.8% to $40.8 billion over January-September 2003.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -23.4% to $80.5 million over August 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +10.6% to $851.8 million over January-September 2003.

In Halifax September 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -11.6% to $40.5 million over August 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +4.1% to $456.4 million over January-September 2003.

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia October 2004 labour force declined -0.1% to 489,700, employment remained unchanged at 446,700, unemployment declined -0.2% to 43,000 and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 8.8% over September 2004.

In Canada October 2004 labour force increased +0.3% to 17.3 million, employment increased +0.2% to 16.1 million, unemployment increased +0.8% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 7.1% over September 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia October 2004 labour force increased +2.2% to 487,100, employment increased +2.9% to 450,000, unemployment declined -6.1% to 37,100 and the unemployment rate declined -0.7 percentage points to 7.6% over October 2003.

In Canada October 2004 labour force increased +1.4% to 17.3 million, employment increased +1.9% to 16.2 million, unemployment declined -5.3% to 1.1 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.4 percentage points to 6.5% over October 2003.

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CANADA'S TRADE WITH SOUTH KOREA

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-507-MIE

In Canada 2003, international merchandise total trade (imports + exports) with South Korea increased +2.3% to $7.0 billion over 2002 and increased +48.5% over 1994.

In Canada 2003, the international merchandise trade deficit with South Korea increased +11.3% to $3.2 billion. Exports with South Korea declined -4.1% to $1.9 billion. Imports increased +5.0% to 5.1 billion.

In Nova Scotia 2003, international merchandise toptal trade (imports + exports) with South Korea increased +46.9% to $54.2 million over 2002 and increased +187.0% over 1994.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the international merchandise trade surplus with South Korea increased +78.9% to $26.0 million. Exports with South Korea increased +55.9% to $40.1 million. Imports increased +26.1% to $14.1 million.

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PROVINCIAL AND TERRITORIAL ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS 2000 TO 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-213-PPB

In Canada 2003, gross domestic product (GDP) in chained $1997, increased +2.0% to $1.1 trillion over 2002.

In Nova Scotia 2003, gross domestic product (GDP) in chained $1997, increased +1.2% to $25.2 billion over 2002.

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NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada September 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +0.3% to 124.7 over August 2004, and increased +5.8% over September 2003.

In Halifax September 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.8 over August 2004 and increased +1.8% over September 2003.

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada September 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $5.1 billion. The year to date surplus was $52.5 billion.

In Canada September 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.4% to $36.1 billion over August 2004 and increased +8.8% over September 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +6.6% to $322.5 billion over Jan-Sep 2003.

In Canada September 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +0.4% to 31.0 billion over August 2004, and increased +11.6% over September 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +4.5% to $269.9 billion over Jan-Sep 2003.

Nova Scotia August 2004 (not seasonally adjusted)

In Nova Scotia August 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $309.6 million. The year to date surplus was $4.5 million.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, international merchandise trade exports increased +20.9% to $711.2 million over July 2004 and increased +54.2% over August 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +9.1% to $4.1 billion over Jan-Aug 2003.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, international merchandise trade imports declined -37.3% to $401.6 million over July 2004, and increased +0.9% over August 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +7.0% to $4.1 billion over Jan-Aug 2003.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, there is an exceptional export to the Netherlands for HS 8905 - DREDGERS; FLOATING OR SUBMERSIBLE VESSELS/DOCKS/PLATFORMS, valued at $197.8 million.

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NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, the non-residential building construction price composite index (1997=100) increased +2.5% to 128.4 over the 2nd quarter 2004, and increased +7.7% over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Halifax 3rd quarter 2004, the non-residential building construction price index (1997=100) increased +1.7% to 117.6 over the 2nd quarter 2004, and increased +6.7% over the 3rd quarter 2003.

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NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia September 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted)declined -1.2% to 3,719 over August 2004, and increased +2.5% over September 2003. Unadjusted unit sales increased +3.6% to 3,392 over September 2003.

In Canada September 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.2% to 126,482 over August 2004, and declined -7.9% over September 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -8.0% to 130,699 over September 2003.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

Nova Scotia ranks number 1 in manufacturing shipments.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +6.1% to $784 million over August 2004.

In Canada September 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.6% to $50.4 billion over August 2004, and increased +10.0% over September 2003.

Inventories increased +0.5% to $62.2 billion over August 2004, and increased +4.9% over September 2003.

Unfilled orders declined -1.0% to $37.1 billion over August 2004, and increased +0.7% over September 2003.

New orders declined -0.6% to $50.0 billion over August 2004 and increased +8.3%% over September 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio increased +0.01 to 1.23 over August 2004, and declined from 1.29 in September 2003.

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APARTMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, the apartment building construction price composite index (1997=100) increased +2.2% to 126.4 over the 2nd quarter 2004, and increased +7.8% over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Halifax 3rd quarter 2004, the apartment building construction price index (1997=100) increased +1.6 to 120.8 over the 2nd quarter 2004, and increased +6.5% over the 3rd quarter 2004.

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TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada September 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.3% to 3.5 million trips over August 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +4.7% to 3.4 million trips over September 2003.

In Canada September 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) increased +8.5% to 3.3 million trips over August 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +8.2% to 3.7 million trips over September 2003.

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada September 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$7.4 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$39.6 billion.

In Canada September 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an ouflow of -$4.1 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$10.0 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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LARGE RETAILERS SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada September 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.9% to $7.8 billion over August 2004 and increased +6.7% over September 2003.

In Canada September 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +9.3% to $7.5 billion over September 2003.

WHOLESALE TRADE SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia September 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.7% to $506 million over August 2004, and declined -6.0% over September 2003.

In Canada September 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.9% to $37.6 billion over August 2004, and increased +6.7% over September 2003.

In Canada September 2004, wholesale merchants sales of computer and other electronic equipment declined -8.4% to $2.7 billion over August 2004, and increased +6.7% over September 2003.

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SURVEY OF SUPPLIERS OF BUSINESS FINANCING 2003

As of December 31, 2003 the Canadian business total debt outstanding declined -0.1% to $361.1 billion over the same date on 2002. Total leases outstanding increased +1.5% to $24.87 billion.

The share of debt held by domestic banks declined to 52.8% or $192.0 billion. The share of debt held by finance companies increased to 12.0%, other banks increased to 11.8%, insurance companies remained unchanged at 10.7%, and credit unions/caisse populaires increased to 9.7%.

RETAIL TRADE SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada September 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to $29.1 billion over August 2004, and increased +4.7% over September 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +6.6% to $29.3 billion over September 2003.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.7% to $858 million over August 2004, and increased +5.1% over September 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +7.3% to $852 million over September 2003.

NOTE:
Starting with April release, data collected from the Monthly Retail Trade Survey are classified according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS 2002), which is not comparable to the previously used Standard Industrial Classification (SIC 1980). Consequently, retail sales estimates have been revised from January 1991 to March 2004.

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COMPOSITE INDICATORS, OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada October 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 200.2 over September 2004.

Seven of ten indices were positive. (up 1 from September)

Business and personal services employment increased +0.1% to 2.6 million.
S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +1.1% to 8,584.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +0.7% to 130,679.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.1% to $23.3 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.91.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.5% to $2.1 billion.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) increased +0.1% to $7.6 billion.

Two of ten indices were negative. (down 1 from September)

The housing index (1992=100) declined -1.5% to 144.5.
Average workweek (hours) declined -0.3% to 38.2 hours.

One of ten indices remained unchanged

The US composite leading indicator remained unchanged at 115.4.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada the October 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 125.2 over September 2004 and increased +2.3% over October 2003.

The CPI, excluding food and energy remained unchanged at 122.3 over September 2004 and increased +1.0% over October 2003. CPI, excluding the eight most volatile components, remained unchanged at 125.1 over September 2004 and increased +1.4% over October 2003.

In Nova Scotia October 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 127.2 over September 2004 and increased 3.0% over October 2003.

In Halifax the October 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 126.1 over September 2004 and increased +2.7% over October 2003.

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NATURAL GAS SALES SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001 to 129-0004

In Canada September 2004, natural gas sales increased +4.9% to 4.1 billion cubic metres over September 2003. Year-to-date natural gas sales declined -0.7% to 52.5 billion cubic metres over Jan-Sep 2003.

FARM CASH RECEIPTS 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0002, 002-0003, 002-0005, 002-0007, 002-0009, 002-0012, 003-0025

3rd Quarter

In Canada Jul-Sep 2004, farm cash receipts increased +4.3% to $8.1 billion over Jul-Sep 2003. Livestock cash receipts increased +16.6% to $4.1 billion, crop cash receipts declined -3.4% to $3.2 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) declined -14.2% to $0.8 billion.

In Nova Scotia Jul-Sep 2004, farm cash receipts increased +0.9% to $111 million over AJUl-Sep 2003.

Jan-Sep 2004

In Canada Jan-Sep 2004, farm cash receipts increased +6.4% to $26.1 billion over Jan-Sep 2003. Livestock cash receipts increased +1.6% to $12.3 billion, crop cash receipts increased +13.4% to $10.7 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +4.2% to $3.1 billion.

In Nova Scotia Jan-Sep 2004, farm cash receipts increased +9.4% to $327 million over Jan-Sep 2003.

NET FARM INCOME 2003 (revised)

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0001, 002-0003, 002-0005, 002-0007 - 002-0009, 00200012, 003-0025

In Canada 2003, net cash income (farm business cash flow) declined to $4.4 billion from $7.3 billion in 2002. Total net income increased to $2.6 billion from $1.3 billion in 2002.

In Nova Scotia 2003, net cash income (farm business cash flow) increased to $39 million from $37 million in 2002. Total net income increased to -$10 million from -$11 million in 2002.

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INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, the international travel account posted a deficit of -$930 million. Total receipts increased +0.6% to $4.1 billion, and total payments declined -4.5% to $5.0 billion over the 2nd quarter 2004.

CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLERS 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada International Travel Survey #3152, 5005

In the 2nd quarter 2004, international traveller trips to Canada increased +17.4% to 4.9 million over the 2nd quarter 2003. Total expenditures increased +23.5% to $3.4 billion.

In the 2nd quarter 2004, Canadian trips abroad increased +17.3% to 4.7 million trips over the 2nd quarter 2003. Total expenditures increased +26.6% to $4.8 billion.

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 282-0052, 282-0001

In Canada September 2004, federal government employment (annual) declined to 267,378 from 268,577 in 2003.

In Ottawa-Gatineau September 2004, federal government employment declined to 111,715 from 112,310 in 2003. This CMA has the highest proportion of federal government jobs = 17.9% of total employment (622,700).

In Halifax September 2004, federal government employment declined to 16,437 from 16,479 in 2003. This CMA has the 2nd highest proportion of federal government jobs = 8.3% of total employment (199,100).

Note: Federal government employees are those working for the sovereign and non-sovereign bodies of federal ministries, departments and agencies; for autonomous organizations, boards, commissions and funds; and for other instrumentalities. They are engaged in the implementation of government policy and/or the delivery of government services. They include the military (regular forces and reservists).

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023 to 281-0046

In Canada September 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $703.58 over August 2004, and increased +1.7% over September 2003. Employment increased +0.5% to 13.5 million over August 2004.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $619.14 over August 2004, and increased +3.2% over September 2003. Employment remained unchanged at 379,500over August 2004.

BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 67-001-XPB

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, the current account surplus (seasonally adjusted) decreased to $9.4 billion from an $11.2 billion surplus in 2nd quarter 2004. The goods surplus declined to $17.3 billion, the services deficit declined to -$2.6 billion and the investment income deficit increased to -$5.4 billion.

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CANADIAN ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-010-XIE

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, real gross domestic product ($1997 chained, market prices) increased +0.8% to $1.1 trillion over 2nd quarter 2004. Consumer spending increased +0.7% to $642,868 billion; exports (goods & services) declined -0.5% to $465,736 billion.

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004 ($current), corporate profits increased +2.1% to $181.8 billion; personal income increased +0.9% to $641,980 billion.

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, real gross domestic product ($chained 1997) increased +3.2% on an annualized basis (growth rate compounded annually) and increased +3.3% on a year-over-year basis (compared to the same quarter in the previous year).

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RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION INVESTMENT 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0013

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, residential construction investment increased +14.5% to $20.2 billion over 3rd quarter 2003. In the first 9 months of 2004, residential construction investment increased +14.7% to $52.2 billion over the same period in 2003.

In Nova Scotia 3rd quarter 2004, residential construction investment increased +6.1% to $483.6 million over 3rd quarter 2003.

Note: residential construction investment includes new housing, renovations and acquistion costs.

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, October 2004, the raw material price index (1997=100) increased +3.8% to 138.9 over September 2004, and increased +28.0% over October 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels declined -0.8% to 96.9 over September 2004, and increased +8.81% over October 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +8.3% to 229.7 over September 2004 and increased +52.5% over October 2003.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, October 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) declined -0.5% to 110.2 over September 2004, and increased +4.6% over October 2003.

NOTE: Impact of the exchange rate

Between September and October, the value of the Canadian dollar strengthened against the US dollar with an increase of 3.2%.

As a result, if the impact of the exchange rate had been excluded, the IPPI would have risen 0.4% compared with the actual 0.5% decline.

On a 12-month basis, if the impact of the exchange rate had been excluded, producer prices would have risen 7.0% between October 2003 and October 2004, rather than their actual 5.4% increase.

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY NOVEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia November 2004 labour force increased +0.5% to 492,300, employment increased +0.3% to 448,000, unemployment increased +3.0% to 44,300 and the unemployment rate increased +0.2 percentage points to 9.0% over October 2004.

In Canada November 2004 labour force increased +0.2% to 17.4 million, employment remained unchanged at 16.1 million, unemployment increased +2.5% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate increased +0.2 percentage points to 7.3% over October 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia November 2004 labour force increased +1.6% to 488,900, employment increased +2.7% to 446,300, unemployment declined -8.8% to 42,600 and the unemployment rate declined -1.0 percentage points to 8.7% over November 2003.

In Canada November 2004 labour force increased +1.3% to 17.3 million, employment increased +1.6% to 16.1 million, unemployment declined -1.9% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.3 percentage points to 6.8% over November 2003.

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DOMESTIC TRAVEL 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 3810, CANSIM 426-001 to 426-006 (Annual data)

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, Canadian trips within Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -7.5% to 39.7 million trips over 2nd quarter 2003. Expenditures (current$) declined -3.5% to $6.4 billion. Expenditures (1997$) declined -5.0% to $5.7 billion.

DEPOSIT-ACCEPTING INTERMEDIARIES 2003

In Canada 2003, the services of deposit-accepting intermediaries - chartered banks, trust companies, caisses populaires and credit unions - increased +4.9% to $55.2 billion over 2002.

Non-interest income increased +12.2% to $25.4 billion. Net interest income declined -0.7% to $29.9 billion.

The value of retail banking services increased +4.1% to $35.4 billion.

The value of treasury and investment banking services declined -1.3% to $10.1 billion.

The value of electronic financial services increased +24.3% to $4.2 billion.

The value of corporate and institutional services increased +6.8% to $3.8 billion.

The value of fiduciary services increased +16.6% to $1.8 billion.

BUILDING PERMITS OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada October 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.0% to $4.6 billion over September 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +8.0% to $45.5 billion over January-October 2003.

In Nova Scotia October 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.0% to $91.0 million over September 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +11.5% to $942.7 million over January-October 2003.

In Halifax October 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +29.1% to $51.8 million over September 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +7.1% to $507.8 million over January-October 2003.

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PERFORMANCE IN MATHEMATICS 2003

Statistics Canada 81-590-XIE

In Canada 2003, students (15-year-old) performed above the OECD average in mathematics in the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA). Students in all provinces (except PEI in science) performed at or above the OECD average in reading, science and problem solving.

Nova Scotia (Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick) scored below the Canadian average in science, reading and problem solving.

FIXED ASSETS 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 031-0002

In Canada 2004, the value of structures and equipment in the country increased +31% to $2.6 trillion over 1994. Machinery and equipment assets increased +73% to $879 billion.

Capital intensity (assets/employment) increased +9% since 1994 to $188,000 per worker,

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PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS PRODUCTION NOVEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada 22-002-XIB

In Canada November 2004, the production estimates of wheat (total) increased +9.8% to 25.9 million tonnes over November 2003.

Barley increased +7.0% to 13.2 million tonnes, canola increased +14.1% to 7.7 million tonnes, field peas increased +57.2% to 3.3 million tonnes and soybeans increased +34.4% to 3.0 million tonnes.

Oats declined -0.2% to 3.7 million tonnes and grain corn declined -7.8% to 8.8 million tonnes.

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HOUSEHOLD SPENDING 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No.:
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In Canada 2003, average household spending increased +1.8% to $61,150 over 2002. Personal taxes averaged $12,370 or 20.2% (increased from 20.2% in 2002) of average household expenditures. Shelter = $11,580 (18.9%), transportation = $8,350 (13.7%), food = $6,790 (11.1%), recreation = $3,550 (5.9%).

In Nova Scotia 2003, average household spending increased +6.0% to $54,295 over 2002. Personal taxes averaged $10,061 (increased +9.6%). Shelter averaged $9,397 (increased 4.3%), transportation averaged $8,099 (declined -0.6%), food averaged $6,137 (increased +6.5%), recreation averaged $3,119 (increased +11.4%).

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia October 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted)increased +0.2% to 4,014 over September 2004, and increased +7.8% over September 2003. Unadjusted unit sales increased +2.0% to 3,429 over October 2003.

In Canada October 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.5% to 136,243 over September 2004, and increased +7.7% over September 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -0.7% to 123,552 over October 2003.

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MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia October 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.6% to $773 million over September 2004.

In Canada October 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.3% to $49.8 billion over September 2004, and increased +9.7% over October 2003.

Inventories increased +0.1% to $62.3 billion over September 2004, and increased +6.1% over October 2003.

Unfilled orders declined -0.3% to $37.1 billion over September 2004, and increased +3.0% over October 2003.

New orders declined -0.8% to $49.6 billion over September 2004 and increased +11.5% over October 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio increased +0.02 to 1.25 over September 2004, and declined from 1.29 in October 2003.

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada October 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $4.4 billion. The year to date surplus was $56.3 billion.

In Canada October 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.1% to $35.6 billion over September 2004 and increased +10.1% over October 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +6.8% to $357.6 billion over Jan-Oct 2003.

In Canada October 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +0.9% to 31.3 billion over September 2004, and increased +13.7% over October 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +5.4% to $301.3 billion over Jan-Oct 2003.

Nova Scotia September 2004 (not seasonally adjusted)

In Nova Scotia September 2004, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$44.7 million. The year to date deficit was -$97.1 million.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, international merchandise trade exports declined -29.9% to $498.6 million over August 2004 and increased +13.0% over September 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +9.6% to $4.6 billion over Jan-Sep 2003.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +17.1% to $543.4 million over August 2004, and declined -1.4% over September 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +7.4% to $4.7 billion over Jan-Sep 2003.

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PERFORMING ARTS 2003

Statistics Canada 87F0003XDB

In Canada 2003, total revenue of performing arts companies increased +10.7% to $602.0 over 2001, the last survey year. Total operating expenses increased +10.9% to $599.0.

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-202-XIB, CANSIM 376-0042, 376-0055 to 376-0057, 376-0059

In 3rd quarter 2004, Canada's net foreign liability (difference between external assets and external liability) increased to -$192.9 billion (14.7% of GDP) from -$174.4 billion (13.7% of GDP) in 2nd quarter 2004.

Total assets declined -$35.4 billion to $954.9 billion over the 2nd quarter 2004.

Total liabilities declined -$19.2 billion to $1,147.7 billion over the 2nd quarter 2004.

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TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada October 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.53% to 3.5 million trips over September 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +5.3% to 3.4 million trips over October 2003.

In Canada October 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.3% to 3.2 million trips over September 2004. Unadjusted trips declined -0.5% to 3.0 million trips over October 2003.

NATIONAL BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 13-214-XIE

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, national net worth (market value, not seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $4.2 trillion over the 2nd quarter 2004. Per capita net worth increased $300 to $131,100 over the 2nd quarter 2004.

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, national net worth (book value, seasonally adjusted) increased +0.9% to $4.3 trillion over the 2nd quarter 2004.

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada October 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$2.2 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$41.2 billion.

In Canada October 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an ouflow of -$1.5 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$12.0 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING 2002

Statistics Canada CANSIM 477-0051, 477-0052
NS Dept of Education

In Canada 2002, the number of registered apprentices increased +7.8% to 234,460 over 2001. Completions declined -9.7% to 16,490 over 2000.

In Nova Scotia 2002 (fiscal year ending March 31, 200), the number of registered apprentices increased +12.7% to 4,586. The number of new registrations declined -7.4% to 1,126. The number of completions declined -15.1% to 342.

http://apprenticeship.ednet.ns.ca/publications.shtml

LARGE RETAILERS OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada October 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.7% to $7.8 billion over September 2004 and increased +5.5% over October 2003.

In Canada October 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +5.6% to $8.0 billion over October 2003.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX NOVEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada the November 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.4% to 125.7 over October 2004 and increased +2.4% over November 2003.

The CPI, excluding food and energy increased +0.5% to 122.9 over October 2004 and increased +1.2% over November 2003. CPI, excluding the eight most volatile components, increased +0.5% to 125.7 over October 2004 and increased +1.6% over November 2003.

In Nova Scotia November 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 127.8 over October 2004 and increased 3.2% over November 2003.

In Halifax the November 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 126.7 over October 2004 and increased +3.0% over November 2003.

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FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 385-0011-385-0013, 385-0015, 385-0016

In Canada fiscal year-ending December 31, 2003, federal government enterprises after-tax profit increased +16.7% to $6.9 billion over 2002.

Provincial and territorial government enterprise after-tax profits increased 6.0% to $11.8 billion.

PRODUCTIVITY GROWTH BY INDUSTRY 1997-2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 383-0009, 383-0010, 383-0013, 383-0014, 383-0015

In Canada 1997 to 2003, the average annual growth rate in labour productivity in the business sector was +2.1%. Multi-factor productivity growth rate was 1.5%.

WHOLESALE TRADE OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia October 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.9% to $509 million over September 2004, and declined -7.4% over October 2003.

In Canada October 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to $37.7 billion over September 2004, and increased +6.4% over October 2003.

In Canada October 2004, wholesale merchants sales of computer and other electronic equipment increased +0.7% to $2.7 billion over September 2004, and increased +5.1% over October 2003.

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DEMOGRAPHICS OCTOBER 1, 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 91-002-XIB

As of October 1, 2004 the Canadian population increased +0.3% to 32.0 million over (3 months) July 1, 2004.

In Nova Scotia October1, 2004, the population increased +0.1% to 938,134 over (3 months) July 1, 2004.

MARRIAGES 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F0212XWE

In Canada 2002, the number of marriages increased +0.1% to 146,738 over 2001.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the number of marriages declined -0.1% to 4,899 over 2001.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada October 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) decreased -2.2% to 522,430 over September 2004, and declined -9.6% over October 2003.

In Nova Scotia October 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.6% to 30,100 over September 2004, and decreased -0.4% over October 2003.

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, NOVEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada November 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) remained unchanged at 200.1 over October 2004.

Six of ten indices were positive. (down 1 from October)

Business and personal services employment increased +0.1% to 2.6 million.
S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +1.1% to 8,681.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +0.1% to 130,808.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.3% to $23.4 billion.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.8% to $2.1 billion.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) increased +0.2% to $7.6 billion.

Three of ten indices were negative. (up 1 from October)

The housing index (1992=100) declined -0.8% to 141.1.
The US composite leading indicator declined -0.3% to 115.0.
Average workweek (hours) declined -0.3% to 38.2 hours.

One of ten indices remained unchanged

The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio remained unchanged at 1.90.

RETAIL TRADE OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada October 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.4% to $29.6 billion over September 2004, and increased +6.6% over October 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +4.8% to $29.5 billion over October 2003.

In Nova Scotia October 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $865 million over September 2004, and increased +3.6% over October 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +1.8% to $860 million over October 2003.

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SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT AND COMPUTER SERVICES 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 354-0005

Software Publishers

In Canada 2003, operating revenues in the software publishers industry [511210] increased +7.9% to $5.8 billion over 2002. Operating expenses increased +8.9% to $5.9 billion Profit margin (loss) was -2%. The number of active establishments increased +5.9% to 1,946.

In Nova Scotia 2003, operating revenues in the software publishers industry [511210] increased +3.1% to $23.2 million over 2002. Operating expenses increased +13.1% to $36.2 million. Profit margin (loss) was -56%. The number of active establishments declined -4.0% to 24.

Computer Systems Design

In Canada 2003, total revenues in the computer systems design and related services industry [541510] increased +2.8% to $18.8 billion over 2002. Operating expenses increased +2.1% to $17.7 bllion. Profit margin was +5.8%. The number of active establishments increased +3.9% to 45,377.

In Nova Scotia 2003, total revenues in the computer systems design and related services industry [541510] declined -11.7% to $258.9 million over 2002. Operating expenses increased +3.8% to $262.9 mllion. Profit margin (loss) was -5.4% The number of active establishments declined -7.3% to 454.

Data Processing Services

In Canada 2003, total revenues in the data processing services industry [518217] increased +2.3% to $2.7 billion over 2001. Operating expenses increased +4.1% to $2.5 bllion. Profit margin was +4.2%. The number of active establishments increased +23.5% % to 1,317.

Nova Scotia data processing services industry [518217] information is unavailable.

INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 354-0006

In Canada 2003, internet service provider operating revenues increased +8% to $1.6 billion over 2002. The operating expenses declined -13% to $1.3 billion. The operating profit margin percent was +15.8%.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023 to 281-0046

In Canada October 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to $704.88 over September 2004, and increased +1.9% over October 2003. Employment declined -0.1% to 13.5 million over September 2004.

In Nova Scotia October 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.4% to $617.88 over September 2004, and increased +3.5% over October 2003. Employment declined -0.7% to 376,500 over September 2004.

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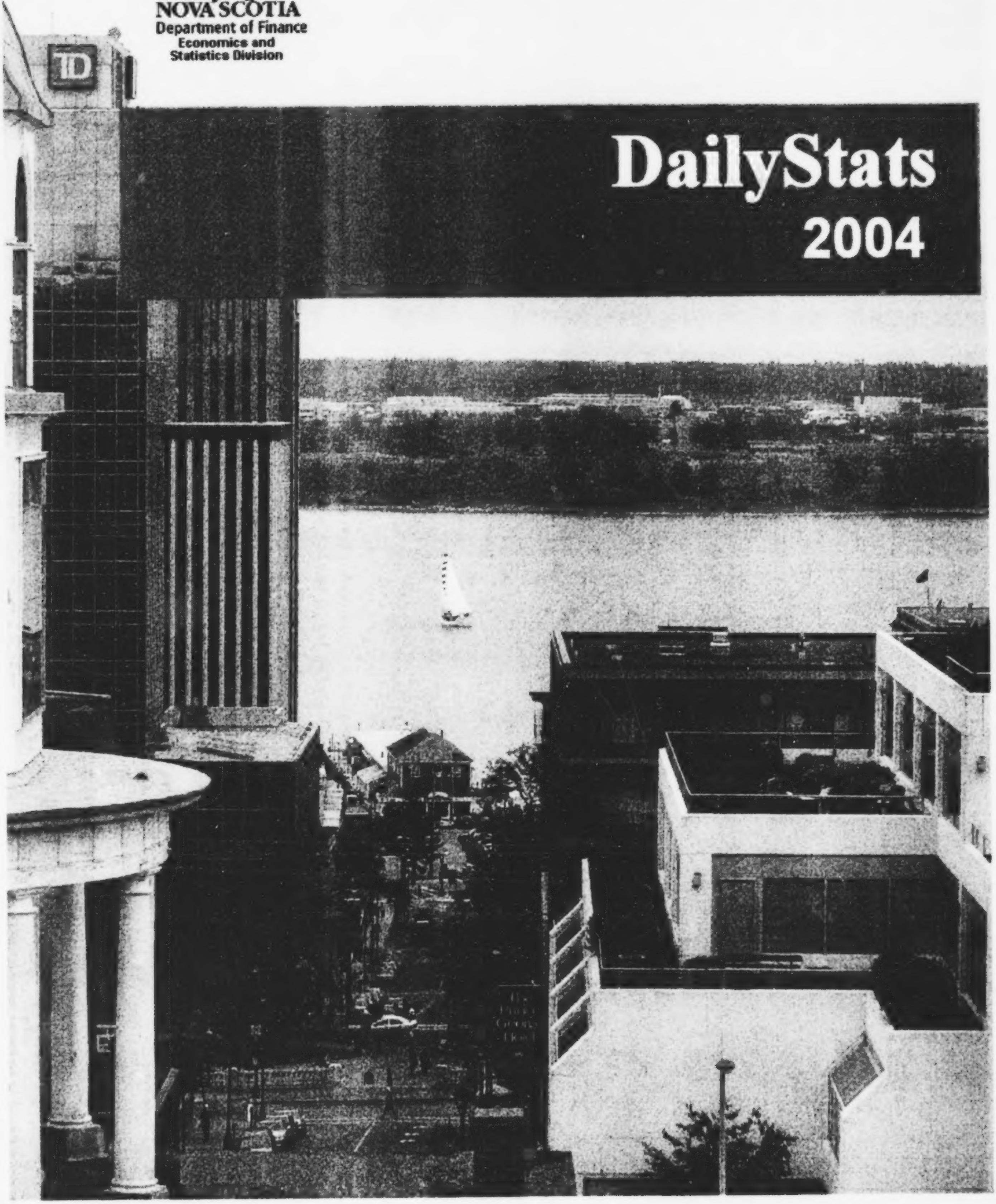

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2004-10-27

ADULT CORRECTIONAL SERVICES 2002/03

Statistics Canada 85-002 Vol 24 No 10

In Canada 2002/03, the average daily cost of persons in provincial/territorial custody increased +3.2$ to $117.77 ($1992/93 constant $) over 2001/02. The adjusted average daily count of persons in provincial/territorial custody increased +2.2% to 19,004 (12.2% of total) over 2001/02.

In Canada 2002/03, the average daily cost of persons in provincial/territorial community supervision services increased +1.1% to $4.10 ($1992/93 constant $) over 2001/02. The adjusted average daily count of persons in provincial community supervision services increased +1.2% to 116,545 (75% of total) over 2001/02.

Custody = sentenced, remand, temporary detention)

Community supervision = probation, parole, conditional sentence.

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2004-07-07

AGRICULTURE 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0004, 002-0020

In Canada 2003, the value of agriculture production increased +4.1% to $46.6 billion over 2002. Sales declined -9.6% to $36.6 billion; inventories increased +4.3 billion; program payments increased +1.4 billion. Total farm assets increased by +2.4% to $230.9 billion; total farm liabilities increased +7.4% to $43.9 billion.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the value of agriculture production increased +2.4% to $487.1 million over 2002. Sales increased +1.4% to $435 billion. Total farm assets increased by +1.9% to $2.2 billion; total farm liabilities increased +8.3% to $524.8 million.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-03

AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 51F0001PIE

In Canada December 2003, the number of aircraft movements in the 42 airports with NAV CANADA towers declined -1.3% to 297,297 over December 2002.

At Halifax International December 2003, the number of aircraft movements increased +6.4% to 6,629 over December 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-01

AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 51F0001PIE

In Canada February 2004, the number of aircraft take-offs and landings in the 42 airports with NAV CANADA towers increased +8.1% to 340,458 over February 2003.

At Halifax International airport February 2004, the number of aircraft movements decreased -1.9% to 6,214 over February 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-22

AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 51F0001PIE

In Canada June 2004, the number of aircraft take-offs and landings in the 42 airports with NAV CANADA towers decreased -1.7% to 410,935 over June 2003.

At Halifax International airport June 2004, the number of aircraft movements increased +4.3% to 8,315 over June 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-18

ALCOHOL AND DRUG USE 1998/99

Statistics Canada 82-003-XIE May 2004 issue

In 1998/99 the National longitudinal survey of children and youth reported that 17% of household population aged 12 had had at least one drink of alcohol. By age 15 the percentage had increased to 66%.

In 1998/99 the National longitudinal survey of children and youth reported that 3% of household population aged 12 had smoked marijuana. By age 15 the percentage had increased to 38%.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-21

ANNUAL RETAIL TRADE 2002

Statistics Canada

In Canada 2002, the number of retail stores increased +4.3% to 201,995 retail stores. Total operating revenues increased +6.6% to $344.4 billion over 2001.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the number of retail stores increased +1.4% to 6,065 retail stores. Total operating revenues increased +5.5% to $10.0 billion over 2001. Nova Scotia operating revenues share of the Canadian retail market was 2.9%

In Canada 2002, the only retail store type to post a declined was computer and software stores.

Computer and software stores operating revenues declined -4.0% to $2.6 billion over 2001. Gross margin = $692 million: operating profit = $63 million.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-18

APARTMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, the apartment building construction price composite index (1997=100) increased +0.8% to 123.7 over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +2.6% over the 2nd quarter 2003.

In Halifax 2nd quarter 2004, the apartment building construction price index (1997=100) increased +0.9 to 118.9 over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +2.7% over the 2nd quarter 2004.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-16

APARTMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, the apartment building construction price composite index (1997=100) increased +2.2% to 126.4 over the 2nd quarter 2004, and increased +7.8% over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Halifax 3rd quarter 2004, the apartment building construction price index (1997=100) increased +1.6 to 120.8 over the 2nd quarter 2004, and increased +6.5% over the 3rd quarter 2004.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-17

APARTMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, the apartment building construction price composite index (1997=100) increased +0.8% to 118.2 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and increased +2.8% over the 4th quarter 2002.

In Halifax 4th quarter 2003, the apartment building construction price index (1997=100) increased +0.9 to 114.4 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and increased +2.7% over the 4th quarter 2002.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-20

AQUACULTURE STATISTICS 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 23-222-XIE

In Canada 2003, the gross value added (factor cost) of the aquaculture industry declined -2% to $216.1 million over 2002. Total operating revenues declined -3% to $731.5 million over 2002. The value of exports increased +6.7% to $474.0 million.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the gross value added (factor cost) of the aquaculture industry increased +39.5% to $14.7 million over 2002. Total operating revenues increased +19.2% to to $29.2 million over 2002.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-30

ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATION SERVICES 2002

Statistics Canada CANSIM 361-0002

In Canada 2002, total operating revenue of performing arts companies increased +5.1% to $1.0 billion over 2001. Total operating expenses increased +3.7% to $959 million. Operating profit increased +25% to $6.5 million.

In Canada 2002, total operating revenue of spectator sports increased +14.2% to $2.1 billion over 2001. Total operating expenses increased +9.6% to $2.2 billion. Reported Operating loss was -$3.8 million.

In Canada 2002, total operating revenue of other ammusement and recreation industries increased +10.0% to $5.5 billion over 2001. Total operating expenses increased +11.5% to $5.1 billion. Reported Operating profit was $6.3 million.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-28

BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 67-001-XPB

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, the current account surplus (seasonally adjusted) increased to $9.5 billion from a $6.7 billion surplus in 4th quarter 2003. The goods surplus increased to $17.5 billion, the services deficit increased to -$3.0 billion and the investment income deficit increased to -$5.0 billion.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-30

BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 67-001-XPB

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, the current account surplus (seasonally adjusted) increased to $10.4 billion from a $8.3 billion surplus in 1st quarter 2004. The goods surplus increased to $20.0 billion, the services deficit declined to -$2.9 billion and the investment income deficit increased to -$6.8 billion.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-29

BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 67-001-XPB

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, the current account surplus (seasonally adjusted) decreased to $9.4 billion from an $11.2 billion surplus in 2nd quarter 2004. The goods surplus declined to $17.3 billion, the services deficit declined to -$2.6 billion and the investment income deficit increased to -$5.4 billion.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-26

BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 67-001-XPB

QUARTER

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, the current account surplus (seasonally adjusted) declined to $6.7 billion from a $7.8 billion surplus in 3rd quarter 2003. The goods surplus declined to $15.1 billion, the services deficit increased to -$2.9 billion and the investment income deficit increased to -$5.7 billion.

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In Canada 2003, the current account surplus (seasonally adjusted) increased to $25.8 billion from a $23.4 billion surplus in 2002. The goods surplus increased to $60.2 billion, the services deficit increased to -$11.5 billion and the investment income deficit declined to -$23.5 billion.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-19

BIRTHS 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F0210XPB

In Canada 2002, the number of births decreased -1.5% to 328,802 over 2001.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the number of births declined -2.81% to 8,663 over 2001.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-07

BUILDING PERMITS APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada April 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +6.3% to $4.5 billion over March 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +7.8% to $17.5 billion over January-April 2003.

In Nova Scotia April 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +48.6% to $118.7 million over March 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +13.3% to $344.5 million over January-April 2003.

In Halifax April 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +70.8% to $79.6 million over March 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +20.7% to $191.4% million over January-April 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-06

BUILDING PERMITS AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada August 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -4.6% to $4.5 billion over July 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +8.9% to $36.4 billion over January-August 2003.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -14.2% to $69.5 million over July 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +16.7% to $513.8 million over January-August 2003.

In Halifax August 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -27.8% to $46.0 million over July 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +5.4% to $416.1 million over January-August 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-05

BUILDING PERMITS DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada December 2003, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +12.8% to $4.6 billion over November 2003. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +7.5% to $50.8 billion over January-December 2002.

In Nova Scotia December 2003, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -19.7% to $75.9 million over November 2003. The year to date value of building permits increased +16.3% to $1.02 billion over January-December 2002.

In Halifax December 2003, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -39.8% to $35.4 million over November 2003. The year to date value of building permits increased +21.8% to $571.3 million over January-December 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-06

BUILDING PERMITS FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE
(seasonally adjusted)

In Canada February 2004 the value of building permits increased 1.6% over January 2004 to $4.4 billion. Year to date, January to February 2004 building permits of $8.7 billion represented a 3.4% increase over January to February 2003.

In Nova Scotia February 2004 the value of building permits declined 12.8% over January 2004 to $68.1 million. Building permits valued at $146.3 million in January to February 2004 increased 10.9% over the January to February 2003 period.

In Halifax February 2004 the value of building permits declined 8.1% over January 2004 to $31.5 million. Permits were valued at $65.7 million during January to February 2004, down 13.0% from the same period in 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-04

BUILDING PERMITS JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada January 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.9% to $4.4 billion over December 2003 and declined -1.4% over January 2003.

In Nova Scotia January 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.8% to $78.5 million over December 2003 and increased 27.3% over January 2003.

In Halifax January 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.6% to $34.9 million over December 2003 and increased +4.3% over January 2003.

2004-09-07

BUILDING PERMITS JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada July 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -11.4% to $4.8 billion over June 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +8.6% to $31.9 billion over January-July 2003.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -11.1% to $105.1 million over June 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +9.2% to $665.3 million over January-July 2003.

In Halifax July 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +37.7% to $64.1 million over June 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +4.9% to $370.5% million over January-July 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-09

BUILDING PERMITS JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada June 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +27.1% to $5.3 billion over May 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +9.4% to $27.0 billion over January-June 2003.

In Nova Scotia June 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -2.7% to $106.1 million over May 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +9.8% to $560.0 million over January-June 2003.

In Halifax June 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -33.3% to $45.5 million over May 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +5.2% to $305.4% million over January-June 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-06

BUILDING PERMITS MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada March 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -4.2% to $4.2 billion over February 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +6.2% to $12.9 billion over January-March 2003.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +15.7% to $78.5 million over February 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +5.0% to $224.5 million over January-March 2003.

In Halifax March 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +46.9% to $45.6 million over February 2004. The year to date value of building permits declined -11.3% to $110.8 million over January-March 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-07

BUILDING PERMITS MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada May 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -9.5% to $4.1 billion over April 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +6.4% to $21.7 billion over January-May 2003.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -9.1% to $108.1 million over April 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +10.4% to $452.9 million over January-May 2003.

In Halifax May 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -15.0% to $68.06 million over April 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +17.4% to $259.7% million over January-May 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-12

BUILDING PERMITS NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada November 2003, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.9% to $4.1 billion over October 2003. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +8.2% to $46.8 billion over January-November 2002.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +26.8% to $93.1 million over October 2003. The year to date value of building permits increased +16.9% to $935.3 million over January-November 2002.

In Halifax November 2003, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +66.4% to $58.2 million over October 2003. The year to date value of building permits increased +22.9% to $531.5 million over January-November 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-06

BUILDING PERMITS OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada October 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.0% to $4.6 billion over September 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +8.0% to $45.5 billion over January-October 2003.

In Nova Scotia October 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.0% to $91.0 million over September 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +11.5% to $942.7 million over January-October 2003.

In Halifax October 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +29.1% to $51.8 million over September 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +7.1% to $507.8 million over January-October 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-04

BUILDING PERMITS SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIE

In Canada September 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.3% to $4.4 billion over August 2004. The year to date value of bulding permits increased +7.8% to $40.8 billion over January-September 2003.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -23.4% to $80.5 million over August 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +10.6% to $851.8 million over January-September 2003.

In Halifax September 2004, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -11.6% to $40.5 million over August 2004. The year to date value of building permits increased +4.1% to $456.4 million over January-September 2003.

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2004-02-04

BUSINESS CONDITIONS SURVEY: MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, (CANADA) JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada

Some concern with low levels of unfilled orders.

In Canada July 2003, manufacturers (55%) expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months and an additional 30% believe that volume will be higher. 15% expect volume to be lower.

Orders received by 66% of manufacturers are expected to be about the same as the last quarter, with 24% expecting increases and 10% declines.

67% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders as about normal, 10%, higher than normal and 23% lower than normal.

Most respondents (85%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right while 7% consider levels to be too low, and 8% believe they are too high.

68% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 15% expect an increase and 17% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (84%) do not foresee any production difficulties, 5% think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage, 3% a raw materials shortage, 3% a working capital shortage, and 2% expect an unskilled labour shortage.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-29

BUSINESS CONDITIONS SURVEY:(NOVA SCOTIA) MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada
CANSIM 302-0008

In Nova Scotia April 2004, 42% of manufacturers expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months, an additional 34% believe that volume will increase, and 23% expect volume to decline.

Orders received by 58% of manufacturers are expected to be about right, while 23% expecting increases and 19% declines.

87% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders about the same as in the last quarter, 8% higher than normal and 5% lower than normal.

Most respondents (75%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right, while 7% consider levels to be too low, and 18% believe they are too high.

62% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 23% expect an increase and 16% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (70%) do not foresee any production difficulties, 11% think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage, 8% a raw materials shortage, 6% a working capital shortage, and 2% expect an unskilled labour shortage.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-04

BUSINESS CONDITIONS SURVEY:(NOVA SCOTIA) MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada
CANSIM 302-0008

In Nova Scotia January 2004, manufacturers (46%) expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months and an additional 31% believe that volume will increase. 23% expect volume to decline.

Orders received by 64% of manufacturers are expected to be about right, with 16% expecting increases and 20% declines.

60% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders about the same as the last quarter, 8% higher than normal and 32% lower than normal.

Most respondents (86%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right while 4% consider levels to be too low, and 10% believe they are too high.

69% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 22% expect an increase and 9% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (83%) do not foresee any production difficulties. 5% think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage, 2% a raw materials shortage, 3% a working capital shortage, and 1% expect an unskilled labour shortage.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-30

BUSINESS CONDITIONS SURVEY:(NOVA SCOTIA) MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, JULY 2004

Statistics Canada
CANSIM 302-0008

In Nova Scotia July 2004, 43% of manufacturers expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months, an additional 37% believe that volume will increase, and 20% expect volume to decline.

Orders received by 53% of manufacturers are expected to be about right, while 35% expecting increases and 13% declines.

79% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders about the same as in the last quarter, 5% higher than normal and 16% lower than normal.

Most respondents (81%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right, while 5% consider levels to be too low, and 14% believe they are too high.

64% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 17% expect an increase and 19% a decrease.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-28

BUSINESS CONDITIONS SURVEY:(NOVA SCOTIA) MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada
CANSIM 302-0007 302-0008

NOVA SCOTIA

In Nova Scotia October 2004, 57% of manufacturers expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months, an additional 29% believe that volume will increase, and 14% expect volume to decline.

Orders received by 38% of manufacturers are expected to be about right, while 50% expecting increases and 12% declines.

88% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders about the same as in the last quarter, 7% higher than normal and 5% lower than normal.

Most respondents (55%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right, while 4% consider levels to be too low, and 40% believe they are too high.

48% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 30% expect an increase and 23% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (76%) do not foresee any production difficulties, 6% think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage, 6% a raw materials shortage, 2% a working capital shortage, and 2% expect an unskilled labour shortage.

CANADA

In Canada October 2004, 69% of manufacturers expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months, an additional 22% believe that volume will increase, and 9% expect volume to decline.

Orders received by 78% of manufacturers are expected to be about right, while 18% expecting increases and 4% declines.

61% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders to be about normal, 4% higher than normal and 17% lower than normal.

Most respondents (79%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right, while 4% consider levels to be too low, and 17% believe they are too high.

73% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 18% expect an increase and 9% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (81%) do not foresee any production difficulties, 6% think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage, 5% a raw materials shortage, 3% expect an unskilled labour shortage and 2% a working capital shortage.

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2004-06-16

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-202-XIB

In 1st quarter 2004, Canada's net foreign liability (difference between external assets and external liability) declined to -$194.2 billion (15.5% of GDP) from -$218.0 billion (17.7% of GDP) in 4th quarter 2003.

Total assets increased +2.5% to $931.5 billion over the 4th quarter 2003.

Total liabilities declined to $1,125.8 billion over the 4th quarter 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-15

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-202-XIB

In 2nd quarter 2004, Canada's net foreign liability (difference between external assets and external liability) improved to -$175.9 billion (13.7% of GDP) from -$186.4 billion (14.8% of GDP) in 1st quarter 2004.

Total assets increased +$59.8 billion to $933.3 billion over the 1st quarter 2004.

Total liabilities increased +$49.3 billion to $1,119.7 billion over the 1st quarter 2004.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-15

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-202-XIB, CANSIM 376-0042, 376-0055 to 376-0057, 376-0059

In 3rd quarter 2004, Canada's net foreign liability (difference between external assets and external liability) increased to -$192.9 billion (14.7% of GDP) from -$174.4 billion (13.7% of GDP) in 2nd quarter 2004.

Total assets declined -$35.4 billion to $954.9 billion over the 2nd quarter 2004.

Total liabilities declined -$19.2 billion to $1,147.7 billion over the 2nd quarter 2004.

2004-03-24

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-202-XIB
CANSIM Tables 376-0042, 376-0055, 376-0056, 376-0057, 376-0059

In the 4th quarter 2003, Canada's net foreign liability (difference between external assets and external liability) declined to $205.9 billion (16.8% of GDP) from $218.5 billion (18.0% of GDP) in 3rd quarter 2003.

Total assets increased +16.7 billion to $915.9 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003.

Total liabilities increased +4.1 billion to $1,121.8 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003.

Canada's direct investment abroad increased 2.8% over 3rd quarter to $398.2 billion while foreign direct investment in Canada declined 0.3% to $357.7 billion in the same period.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-17

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN SERVICES 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-203-XIB, CANSIM 376-0031 - 376-0033, 376-0036, 376-0062

In Canada 2003, the services trade deficit increased by $4.0 billion to $10.9 billion over 2002, at $8.3 billion.

Exports in travel services declined -11.9% to $14.7 billion over 2002. Imports increased +1.5% to $18.6 billion.

Exports in transportation services declined -7.5% to $10.3 billion over 2002. Imports declined -6.9%% to $3.4 billion.

Note: Trade in services covers transactions in travel, transportation, a range of business and professional services referred to as commercial services, and government services.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-17

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada April 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$20.4 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$24.8 billion.

In Canada April 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$1.5 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$3.8 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

2004-10-18

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada August 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$897 million. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$31.5 billion.

In Canada August 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an inflow of +$1.1 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$5.8 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

2004-02-18

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada December 2003, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$140 million. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$15.2 billion.

In Canada December 2003, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$2.7 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$12.5 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

2004-04-20

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In February 2004, Canada reported net foreign investment in Canadian securities of -$7,592 million. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada stood at -$1,926 million.

In Canada February 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was -$2,359 million. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was -$1,587 million.

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2004-09-16

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada July 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$3.7 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$31.7 billion.

In Canada July 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$0.6 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$6.8 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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2004-08-18

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada June 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$0.8 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$26.6 billion.

In Canada June 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$1.2 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$6.1 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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2004-05-19

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada March 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$6.2 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$4.4 billion.

In Canada March 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$1.1 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$2.7 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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2004-07-18

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada May 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$1.3 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$26.3 billion.

In Canada April 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$3.5 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$7.5 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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2004-01-19

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada November 2003, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$5.6 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$15.3 billion.

In Canada November 2003, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$1.3 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$9.2 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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2004-12-16

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada October 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$2.2 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$41.2 billion.

In Canada October 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an ouflow of -$1.5 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$12.0 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

2004-11-18

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES, SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada September 2004, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +$7.4 billion. Year to date net foreign investment in Canada was an inflow of +$39.6 billion.

In Canada September 2004, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an ouflow of -$4.1 billion. Year to date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -$10.0 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-08

CANADA'S TRADE WITH SOUTH KOREA

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-507-MIE

In Canada 2003, international merchandise total trade (imports + exports) with South Korea increased +2.3% to $7.0 billion over 2002 and increased +48.5% over 1994.

In Canada 2003, the international merchandise trade deficit with South Korea increased +11.3% to $3.2 billion. Exports with South Korea declined -4.1% to $1.9 billion. Imports increased +5.0% to 5.1 billion.

In Nova Scotia 2003, international merchandise toptal trade (imports + exports) with South Korea increased +46.9% to $54.2 million over 2002 and increased +187.0% over 1994.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the international merchandise trade surplus with South Korea increased +78.9% to $26.0 million. Exports with South Korea increased +55.9% to $40.1 million. Imports increased +26.1% to $14.1 million.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-15

CANADIAN COMMUNITY HEALTH SURVEY 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 82-221-XIE

In 2003 94.9% or 756,700 Nova Scotians aged 12+ reported to have a regular medical doctor. About 23,000 have not looked (2.9%), and 17,600 (2.2%) reported they could not find one.

In 2003 85.8% or 22.8 million Canadians aged 12+ reported to have a regular medical doctor. About 2.4 million have not looked (9.2%), and 1.2 million (4.7%) reported they could not find one.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the number of smokers declined to 19.7% of the population (157,500) from 27.3% (208,200) in 1994.

In Canada 2003, the number of smokers declined to 17.8% of the population (4.7 million) from 24.3% (5.8 million) in 1994.

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2004-05-31

CANADIAN ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-010-XIE

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, real gross domestic product ($1997 chained) increased +0.6% to $1.1 trillion over 4th quarter 2003. Consumer spending increased +1.3% to $634.1 billion; exports (goods & services) increased +1.5% to $451.6 billion.

In Canada 1st quarter 2004 ($current), corporate profits increased +6.1% to $163.4 billion; personal income increased +0.8% to $626.0 billion.

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, real gross domestic product ($chained 1997) increased +2.4% on an annualized basis (growth rate compounded annually) and increased +1.6% on a year-over-year basis (compared to the same quarter in the previous year).

By comparison in the U.S. 1st quarter 2004, real gross domestic product increased +4.4% on an annualized basis.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-31

CANADIAN ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-010-XIE

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, real gross domestic product ($1997 chained, market prices) increased +1.1% to $1.1 trillion over 1st quarter 2004. Consumer spending increased +0.3% to $637.7 billion; exports (goods & services) increased +5.0% to $473.9 billion.

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004 ($current), corporate profits increased +6.5% to $177.1 billion; personal income increased +1.1% to $636.0 billion.

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, real gross domestic product ($chained 1997) increased +4.3% on an annualized basis (growth rate compounded annually) and increased +3.0% on a year-over-year basis (compared to the same quarter in the previous year).

By comparison in the U.S. 2nd quarter 2004, real gross domestic product increased +2.8% on an annualized basis.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-30

CANADIAN ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-010-XIE

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, real gross domestic product ($1997 chained, market prices) increased +0.8% to $1.1 trillion over 2nd quarter 2004. Consumer spending increased +0.7% to $642,868 billion; exports (goods & services) declined -0.5% to $465,736 billion.

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004 ($current), corporate profits increased +2.1% to $181.8 billion; personal income increased +0.9% to $641,980 billion.

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, real gross domestic product ($chained 1997) increased +3.2% on an annualized basis (growth rate compounded annually) and increased +3.3% on a year-over-year basis (compared to the same quarter in the previous year).

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2004-02-27

CANADIAN ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-010-XIE

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, real gross domestic product ($1997 chained) increased +0.9% to $1.1 trillion over 3rd quarter 2003. Consumer spending remained unchanged at $626.0 billion; exports (goods & services) increased +3.2% to $442.8 billion.

In Canada 4th quarter 2003 ($current), corporate profits increased +3.5% to $149.6 billion; personal income increased +0.9% to $623.4 billion.

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, real gross domestic product ($chained 1997) increased +3.8% on an annualized basis (growth rate compounded annually) and increased +1.6% on a year-over-year basis (compared to the same quarter in the previous year)

In Canada 2003, real gross domestic product (chained $1997) increased +1.7% over 2002.

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2004-08-23

CANADIAN FRAMEWORK FOR CULTURE STATISTICS

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 81-595-MIE No. 21

Available, free, on-line at www.statscan.ca

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-16

CANADIAN POTATO PRODUCTION 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 22-008-XIE

In Canada 2003, total potato production increased +13.5% to 5.3 million metric tonnes over 2002. In 2002, the farm value of potato production was $978 million. (2003 value not available)

In Nova Scotia 2003, total potato production declined -7.7% to 50,700 metric tonnes over 2003. In 2002, the farm value of potato production was $11.7 million. (2003 value not available)

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-27

CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLERS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada International Travel Survey #3152, 5005

In the 1st quarter 2004, international traveller trips to Canada declined -3.3% to 2.6 million over the 1st quarter 2003. Total expenditures declined -6.3% to $1.8 billion.

In the 1st quarter 2004, Canadian trips abroad increased +11.0% to 5.0 million trips over the 1st quarter 2003. Total expenditures increased +7.7% to $5.0 billion.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-26

CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLERS 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada International Travel Survey #3152, 5005

In the 2nd quarter 2004, international traveller trips to Canada increased +17.4% to 4.9 million over the 2nd quarter 2003. Total expenditures increased +23.5% to $3.4 billion.

In the 2nd quarter 2004, Canadian trips abroad increased +17.3% to 4.7 million trips over the 2nd quarter 2003. Total expenditures increased +26.6% to $4.8 billion.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-24

CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLERS 3RD QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada International Travel Survey #3152

In the 3rd quarter 2003, international traveller trips to Canada declined -13.5% to 7.3 million over the 3rd quarter 2002. Total expenditures declined -19.5% to $4.9 billion.

In the 3rd quarter 2003, Canadian trips abroad declined -1.7% to 5.4 million trips over the 3rd quarter 2002. Total expenditures increased +0.2% to $3.7 billion.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-26

CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLERS 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada International Travel Survey #3152

QUARTER

In the 4th quarter 2003, international traveller trips to Canada declined -7.1% to 3.3 million over the 4th quarter 2002. Total expenditures declined -12.8% to $2.0 billion.

In the 4th quarter 2003, Canadian trips abroad increased +5.6% to 3.8 million trips over the 4th quarter 2002. Total expenditures increased +6.1% to $3.4 billion.

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In 2003, international traveller trips to Canada declined -12.7% to 17.4 million over 2002. Total expenditures declined -14.9% to $11.6 billion.

In 2003, Canadian trips abroad increased +0.2% to 17.7 million trips over 2002. Total expenditures increased +0.6% to $15.7 billion.

DailyStats

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2004-11-04

CHARITABLE DONORS 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13C0014

In Canada 2003, charitable donations (current dollars) increased +11.4% to $6.5 billion over 2002. The number of taxfilers reporting charitable donations increased +1.2% to 5.6 million, or 25% of all taxfilers. The median donation increased $10 to $220.

In Nova Scotia 2003, charitable donations increased +9.2% to $144.6 million over 2002. The number of taxfilers reporting charitable donations increased +0.9% to 156,990 or 23% of all taxfilers. The median donation remained unchanged at $270.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-22

CMA's AS CULTURE CLUSTERS 2001

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 89-613-MIE

In Canada's 27 census metropolitan ares 2001, 3.83% of the labour force is in culture industries.

Of the CMA's Halifax ranks 4th. In Halifax 2001, 4.28% of the labour force is in culture industries.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-11

COMMERCIAL SOFTWARE PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 331-0003

In Canada December 2003, the commercial software price index (2001=100) declined -0.5% to 84.1 over November 2003 and declined -13.2% over December 2002. In 2003 the CSPI annual average declined -11.5% to 85.2 over 2002.

In the period 2000 to 2003 the CSPI has declined an average of -5.4% annually, or -0.5% per month.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-19

COMPOSITE INDEX, APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada April 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.6% to 193.2 over March 2004.

Six of ten indices were positive. (down 1 from Mar)

The housing index (1992=100) increased +1.4% to 138.4.
S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +0.9% to 8,472.
Money supply, M1 ($millions, 1992) increased +1.1% to 121,172.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.3% to 114.1.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.78.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) invreased +1.0% to $2.0 billion.

Three of ten indices were negative. (no change from Dec)

Business and personal services employment declined -0.2% to 2.6 million.
Average workweek (hours) declined -0.3% to 8.6 hours.
New orders, durables ($1992) declined -0.7% to $21.3 billion.

One of ten indicators was unchanged (up 1 from Mar)

Other durable goods sales ($1992) remained unchanged at $7.7 billion.

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2004-01-20

COMPOSITE INDEX, DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada December 2003, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.8% to 188.9 over November 2003.

Seven of ten indices were positive. (no chge from Nov)

Business and personal services employment increased +0.2 to 2.6 million.
S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +2.8% to 7,757.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.4% to 112.7.
Average workweek (hours) increased +0.3% to 39.0 hours.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.6% to $20.2 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.72.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) invreased +0.5% to $1.9 billion.

Three of ten indices were negative. (up 2 from Nov)

The housing index (1992=100) declined -1.5% to 141.1.
Money supply, M1 ($millions, 1992) declined -0.7% to 116,586.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) declined -0.3% to $7.8 billion.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-19

COMPOSITE INDEX, JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada January 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.6% to 190.1 over December 2003.

Six of ten indices were positive. (down 1 from Dec)

S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +2.6% to 7,959.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.3% to 113.1.
Average workweek (hours) increased +0.3% to 39.1 hours.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.5% to $20.3 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.73.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) invreased +0.6% to $2.0 billion.

Three of ten indices were negative. (no change from Dec)

The housing index (1992=100) declined -2.5% to 137.5.
Money supply, M1 ($millions, 1992) declined -0.3% to 116,756.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) declined -0.6% to $7.7 billion.

One of ten indicators was unchanged

Business and personal services employment remained unchaged at 2.6 million.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-17

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada July 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 199.2 over July 2004.

Eight of ten indices were positive. (up 1 from July)

The housing index (1992=100) increased +0.4% to 148.2.
Business and personal services employment increased +0.1% to 2.6 million.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +0.8% to 128,240.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.2% to 115.4.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.1% to $22.6 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.89.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.4% to $2.0 billion.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) increased +1.0% to $7.6 billion.

One of ten indices were negative. (up 1 from June)

S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) declinedv -0.5+% to 8,408.
Average workweek (hours) declined -0.3% to 38.5 hours.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-23

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada February 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.4% to 189.9 over January 2004.

Six of ten indices were positive. (up 1 from Jan)

S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +3.4% to 8,232.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.4% to 113.5.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +0.4% to 118,489.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +1.2% to $20.7 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.74.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.9% to $2.0 billion.

Three of ten indices were negative. (one less than January)

The housing index (1992=100) declined -1.6% to 135.4.
Average workweek (hours) decreased -0.5% to 38.4 hours.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) declined -1.7% to $7.6 billion.

One of ten indicators was unchanged

Business and personal services employment remained unchaged at 2.6 million.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-25

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada July 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.6% to 198.5 over June 2004.

Seven of ten indices were positive. (down 2 from June)

The housing index (1992=100) increased -+1.2% to 147.8.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +1.1% to 127,160.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.2% to 115.1.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.1% to $22.3 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.86.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.8% to $2.0 billion.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) increased +0.8% to $7.6 billion.

One of ten indices were negative. (same as June)

S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) declined -0.8% to 8,450.

Two of ten indicators was unchanged

Business and personal services employment remained unchanged at 2.6 million.
Average workweek (hours) remained unchanged at 38.8 hours.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-20

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada June 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +1.1% to 197.8 over May 2004.

Nine of ten indices were positive. The housing component remained strong with a 3.3% increase over May 2004. The US leading indicator posted its 13th straight gain with growth in 9 out of 10 components.

S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +0.1% to 8,516.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.3% to 114.9.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +1.6% to 125,260.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +1.3% to $22.1 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased +0.03% to 1.84.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +1.1% to $2.0 billion.
The housing index (1992=100)rose +3.0% to 146.2.
Average workweek (hours) increased 0.3% to 39.1 hours.
Other durable goods sales($1992)increased 0.6% to $7.5 billion.

One of ten indices was negative.

Business and personal services employment declined 0.2% to 2.6 million.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-21

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB
CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada March 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.7% to 192.0 over January 2004.

Seven of ten indices were positive. (up 1 from Feb). The housing component swung from negative to positive territory in March. Manufacturing and the US leading indicator continued to drive overall growth for the third straight month.

S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +2.0% to 8,395.
The US composite leading indicator increased +0.4% to 113.9.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +0.9% to 119,579.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +2.9% to $21.5 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased +0.03% to 1.77.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.7% to $2.0 billion.
The housing index (1992=100)rose +1.1% to 137.2.

Three of ten indices were negative.

Average workweek (hours) decreased -0.3% to 38.6 hours.
Other durable goods sales($1992)decreased -1.7% to $7.5 billion.
Business and personal services employment declined 0.2% to 2.6 million.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-21

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, NOVEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada November 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) remained unchanged at 200.1 over October 2004.

Six of ten indices were positive. (down 1 from October)

Business and personal services employment increased +0.1% to 2.6 million.
S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +1.1% to 8,681.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +0.1% to 130,808.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.3% to $23.4 billion.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.8% to $2.1 billion.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) increased +0.2% to $7.6 billion.

Three of ten indices were negative. (up 1 from October)

The housing index (1992=100) declined -0.8% to 141.1.
The US composite leading indicator declined -0.3% to 115.0.
Average workweek (hours) declined -0.3% to 38.2 hours.

One of ten indices remained unchanged

The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio remained unchanged at 1.90.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-23

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada October 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 200.2 over September 2004.

Seven of ten indices were positive. (up 1 from September)

Business and personal services employment increased +0.1% to 2.6 million.
S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +1.1% to 8,584.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +0.7% to 130,679.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.1% to $23.3 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.91.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.5% to $2.1 billion.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) increased +0.1% to $7.6 billion.

Two of ten indices were negative. (down 1 from September)

The housing index (1992=100) declined -1.5% to 144.5.
Average workweek (hours) declined -0.3% to 38.2 hours.

One of ten indices remained unchanged

The US composite leading indicator remained unchanged at 115.4.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-20

COMPOSITE INDICATORS, SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM Table 377-0003

In Canada September 2004, the composite leading indicator (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 199.9 over August 2004.

Six of ten indices were positive. (down 1 from August)

Business and personal services employment increased +0.1% to 2.6 million.
S & P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) increased +1.0% to 8,493.
Money Supply, M1($ millions, 1992) increased +0.8% to 129,238.
New orders, durables ($1992) increased +0.7% to $23.2 billion.
The shipments/inventories of finished goods ratio increased to 1.90.
Furniture and appliances sales ($1992) increased +0.6% to $2.1 billion.

Three of ten indices were negative. (up 2 from August)

The housing index (1992=100) declined -0.8% to 144.8.
Average workweek (hours) declined -0.3% to 38.4 hours.
Other durable goods sales ($1992) declined -0.2% to $7.6 billion.

One of ten indices remained unchanged

The US composite leading indicator remained unchanged at 115.4.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-24

CONECTIVITY AND LEARNING IN SCHOOLS 2003/04

Statistics Canada Cat. 56F0004MIE

In Canada 2003/2004 the proportion of schools with internet connected computer was 97.7%.
The proportion of school computer connected to the internet was 92.7%. The percentage of school computers was desktops = 94.4% and laptops = 5.6%.

In Nova Scotia 2003/2004, the proportion of schools with internet connected computer was 98.6%. The proportion of school computer connected to the internet was 95.8%. The percentage of school computers was desktops = 95.4% and laptops = 4.6%.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-06

CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT FINANCE MARCH 31, 2002

Financial Management System (FMS) Basis

In Canada March 31, 2002 consolidated government net debt (liabilities - assets) declined to $796.3 billion over March 31 2001, a decrease of 0.1%. Net debt as a percentage of GDP declined from 71.5% to 71.0%in 2002. Per capita net debt declined from $25.785 to $25,476 in 2002.

Newfoundland and Labrador registered the highest per capita net debt at $18,867, while Nova Scotia's was $12,466. ALberta, Yukon and the Northwest Territories did not register any net debt.

Note:
The Financial Management System (FMS) provides a standardized presentation of government accounting for the federal, provincial and local governments in Canada. The individual governments' accounting systems are not directly comparable because the policies and structure of governments differ. The FMS adjusts data from governments' public accounts and other records to provide detailed data that permit inter-government comparisons as well as compatible national aggregates that are consistent over time. In other words, FMS statistics may not accord with the figures published in government financial statements.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-20

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada April 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 123.9 over March 2004, and increased +1.6% over April 2003.

The CPI excluding food and energy increased +0.1% to 121.7 over March 2004, and increased +1.2% over April 2003. CPI excluding the eight most volatile components, increased +0.2 to 124.3 over March 2004, and increased +1.8% over April 2003.

In Nova Scotia April 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 125.1 over March 2004, and increased +1.0% over April 2003.

In Halifax April 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 122.9 over March 2003, and increased +1.0% over April 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-17

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada the August 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.2% over July 2004 to 124.8 and increased 1.9% over August 2003.

The CPI, excluding food and energy, declined -0.2% to 121.9 and increased 1.2% over August 2003. CPI, excluding the eight most volatile components, declined -0.2% to 124.7 over June 2004 and increased 1.5% over August 2003.

In Nova Scotia the August 2004 the consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.1% to 126.6 over July 2004 and increased 2.0% over August 2003. The CPI, excluding food and energy, declined -0.1% over July 2004 to 123.3 and increased +1.0% over August 2003.

In Halifax the August 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 125.6 over July 2004 and increased +2.0% over August 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-20

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada January 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 122.9 over December 2003, and increased +1.2% over January 2003.

The CPI excluding food and energy declined -0.1% to 121.1 over December 2003, and increased +1.6% over January 2003. CPI excluding the eight most volatile components, remained unchanged at 123.5 over December 2003, and increased +1.5% over January 2003.

In Nova Scotia January 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 123.6 over December 2003, and increased +0.4% over January 2003.

In Halifax January 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 122.8 over December 2003, and increased +0.7% over January 2003.

*Excluded from the All-items CPI are the following eight volatile components, as defined by the Bank of Canada: fruit, fruit preparations and nuts; vegetables and vegetable preparations; mortgage interest cost; natural gas; fuel oil and other fuel; gasoline; inter-city transportation; and tobacco products and smokers' supplies. The Bank of Canada further adjusts this series to obtain their measure of core inflation, which also excludes the effect of changes in indirect taxes. For data and information on core inflation, consult the Bank of Canada Web site: http://www.bankofcanada.ca/inflation

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-24

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada the July 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.1% over June 2004 to 125.0 and increased 2.3% over July 2003.

The CPI, excluding food and energy, increased 0.2% to 122.2 and increased 1.6% over July 2003. CPI, excluding the eight most volatile components, increased 0.2% to 124.9 over June 2004 and increased 1.9% over July 2003.

In Nova Scotia the July 2004 the consumer price index (1992=100) increased 0.2% to 126.7 over June 2004 and increased 2.2% over July 2003. The CPI, excluding food and energy, rose 0.2% over June 2004 to 123.4 and increased +0.8% over July 2003.

In Halifax the July 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% over June 2004 to 125.6 and increased +2.1% over July 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-16

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada the June 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased 0.1% over May 2004 to 125.1 and increased 2.5% over June 2003.

The CPI, excluding food and energy, was unchanged from last month at 122.0 and increased 1.5% over June 2003. CPI, excluding the eight most volatile components, increased 0.1% to 124.7 over May 2004 and increased 1.7% over June 2003.

In Nova Scotia the June 2004 the consumer price index (1992=100) increased 0.4% to 126.5 over May 2004 and increased 2.3% over June 2003. The CPI, excluding food and energy, rose 0.3% over May 2004 to 123.1 and increased +0.6% over June 2003.

In Halifax the June 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.3% over May 2004 to 125.4 and increased +2.3% over June 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-22

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada May 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.9% to 125.0 over April 2004, and increased +2.5% over May 2003.

The CPI excluding food and energy increased +0.2% to 122.0 over April 2004, and increased +1.3% over May 2003. CPI excluding the eight most volatile components, increased +0.2 to 124.6 over April 2004, and increased +1.5% over May 2003.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.7% to 126.9 over April 2004, and increased +2.0% over May 2003. The CPI excluding food and energy remained unchanged at 122.7 over April 2004, and increased +0.2% over May 2003.

In Halifax May 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.7% to 125.0 over April 2004, and increased +2.0% over May 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-17

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX NOVEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada the November 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.4% to 125.7 over October 2004 and increased +2.4% over November 2003.

The CPI, excluding food and energy increased +0.5% to 122.9 over October 2004 and increased +1.2% over November 2003. CPI, excluding the eight most volatile components, increased +0.5% to 125.7 over October 2004 and increased +1.6% over November 2003.

In Nova Scotia November 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 127.8 over October 2004 and increased 3.2% over November 2003.

In Halifax the November 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 126.7 over October 2004 and increased +3.0% over November 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-23

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada the October 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 125.2 over September 2004 and increased +2.3% over October 2003.

The CPI, excluding food and energy remained unchanged at 122.3 over September 2004 and increased +1.0% over October 2003. CPI, excluding the eight most volatile components, remained unchanged at 125.1 over September 2004 and increased +1.4% over October 2003.

In Nova Scotia October 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 127.2 over September 2004 and increased 3.0% over October 2003.

In Halifax the October 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 126.1 over September 2004 and increased +2.7% over October 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-26

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada the September 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 124.9 over August 2004 and increased +1.8% over September 2003.

The CPI, excluding food and energy increased +0.3% to 122.3 over August 2004 and increased +1.2% over September 2003. CPI, excluding the eight most volatile components, increased +0.3% to 125.1 over August 2004 and increased +1.5% over September 2003.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 126.8 over August 2004 and increased 2.2% over September 2003. The CPI, excluding food and energy, increased +0.1% to 123.4 over August 2004 and increased +0.7% over September 2003.

In Halifax the September 2004 consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 125.7 over August 2004 and increased +2.0% over September 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-22

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada December 2003, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 122.8 over November 2003, and increased +2.0% over December 2002.

The CPI excluding food and energy declined -0.2% to 121.2 over November 2003, and increased +1.6% over December 2002. CPI excluding the eight most volatile components, declined -0.2% to 123.5 over November 2003, and increased +2.2% over December 2002.

In Nova Scotia December 2003, the consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.2% to 123.5 over November 2003, and increased +1.5% over December 2002.

In Halifax December 2003, the consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.2% to 122.7 over November 2003, and increased +1.6% over December 2002.

*Excluded from the All-items CPI are the following eight volatile components, as defined by the Bank of Canada: fruit, fruit preparations and nuts; vegetables and vegetable preparations; mortgage interest cost; natural gas; fuel oil and other fuel; gasoline; inter-city transportation; and tobacco products and smokers' supplies. The Bank of Canada further adjusts this series to obtain their measure of core inflation, which also excludes the effect of changes in indirect taxes. For data and information on core inflation, consult the Bank of Canada Web site: http://www.bankofcanada.ca/inflation

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2004-03-19

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FEBRUARY 2004

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FEBRUARY 2004
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada January 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 123.2 over January 2004, and increased +0.7% over February 2003.

The CPI excluding food and energy increaded +0.1% to 121.2 over January 2004, and increased +1.1% over February 2003. CPI excluding the eight most volatile components, increased +0.2 to 123.7 over January 2004,and increased +1.1% over February 2003.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100)increased +0.5% to 124.2 over January 2004, and declined -0.1% over February 2003.

In Halifax February 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 123.2 over January 2004, and increased +0.2% over February 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-20

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MARCH 2004

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MARCH 2004
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XIB

In Canada March 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 123.6 over February 2004, and increased +0.7% over March 2003.

The CPI excluding food and energy increased +0.3% to 121.6 over February 2004, and increased +1.2% over March 2003. CPI excluding the eight most volatile components, increased +0.3 to 124.1 over February 2004, and increased +1.3% over March 2003.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100)increased +0.6% to 125.0 over February 2004, and declined -0.1% over March 2003.

In Halifax March 2004, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.6% to 124.0 over February 2004, and increased +0.2% over March 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-23

CONSUMER SPENDING 1981 - 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75-001-XIE Vol.5 No.6

In Canada 2000, the relative share of consumer spending for food, beverages and tobacco has declined to 13.0% of consumer spending from 18.4% in 1981. Spending on clothing and footwear has declined to 4.6% of consumer spending from 6.7% in 1981. Spending on gross rent, fuel and power has increased to 22.7% of consumer spending from 21.2% in 1981.

Consumer spending on cable television, computers, electronic toys and cellular phones increased to 3.6% from 1.5%. Spending on health care has increased to $1400 from $900. Spending on transportation has increased +7% to $7000, over 1981.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-29

CONTROL AND SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, March 31, 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-202.XIB

In Canada fiscal year ending March 31, 2002 , the sale of alcoholic beverages totalled $15.4 billion, up 6.0% from the previous year. Beer accounted for $7.8 billion, spirits $3.8 billion and wine $3.4 billion.

In Nova Scotia fiscal year ending March 31, 2002 , the sale of alcoholic beverages totalled $446.4 million. Beer accounted for $224.6 million, spirits $154.4 million and wine $68.3 million.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-28

CRIME STATISTICS IN CANADA, 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XIE, Vol. 22, No. 6

The rate of total criminal code offences increased +5.5% in Canada and +10.5%in Nova Scotia between 2002 and 2003. All provinces experienced increase in total criminal code offences, with the double-digit increases in three provinces: Saskatchewan (+12.%), Manitoba (+10.7%) and Nova Scotia (+10.5%).

While the rate of voilent crimes dropped by -0.7% in Canada it rose 7.3% in Nova Scotia between 2002 and 2003. The rate of property crime increased in both Canada (+3.7%) and Nova Scotia (+8.1%).

In Halifax, the rate of total criminal offences increased +5.1% between 2002 and 2003. There were 900 break-ins, 440 motor vehicle thefts,141 roberies and 0.8 homicide per 100,000 population in Halifax in 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-30

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 126-0001, 131-0001

In Canada January 2004, crude oil production increased +6.1% to 12.6 million cubic metres over January 2003. This increase was a result of a 52.3% jump in crude bitumen production from the Athabasca Oil Sands project in Alberta.

Crude oil exports, which accounted for 65.1% of total production, increased by 13.2% over Janury 2003.

In Canada January 2004, natural gas production declined -1.4% to 15.2 billion cubic metres over January 2003. Domestic Sales and exports of natural gas rose 5.5% and 1.6% respectively over the same period. The increase in domestic Sales was attributed to colder-than-normal weather conditions in most regions of the country.

2004-09-30

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS JULY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 126-0001, 131-0001

In Canada July 2004, crude oil production declined -2.2% to 12.7 million cubic metres over June 2003. Year to date crude oil production increased +6.5% to 87.6 million cubic metres over Jan-Jul 2003.

In Canada July 2004, natural gas production increased +3.4% to 13.8 billion cubic metres over June 2003. Year to date natural gas production increased +2.1% to 99.5 billion cubic metres over Jan-Jul 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-02

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 126-0001, 131-0001

In Canada March 2004, crude oil production increased +8.2% to 12.6 million cubic metres over March 2003. Year to date crude oil production increaed +10.0% to 37.4 million cubic metres over Jan-Mar 2003.

In Canada March 2004, natural gas production declined -3.1% to 14.3 billion cubic metres over March 2003. Year to date natural gas production increased +1.8% to 44.7 billion cubic metres over Jan-Mar 2003.

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2004-07-27

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS MAY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 126-0001, 131-0001

In Canada May 2004, crude oil production increased +7.8% to 12.8 million cubic metres over May 2003. Year to date crude oil production increased +8.8% to 62.2 million cubic metres over Jan-Mar 2003.

In Canada May 2004, natural gas production increased +3.0% to 13.9 billion cubic metres over May 2003. Year to date natural gas production increased +2.1% to 72.6 billion cubic metres over Jan-Mar 2003.

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2004-01-30

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 126-0001, 131-0001

In Canada November 2003, crude oil production increased +4.0% to 12.1 million cubic metres over October 2002. Year-to-date production increased +5.2% to 131.4 million cubic metres over Jan-Nov 2002.

In Canada November 2003, natural gas production declined -4.9% to 13.7 billion cubic metres over October 2002. Year-to-date production declined -3.6% to 151.2 billion cubic metres over Jan-Nov 2002.

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2004-01-13

CULTURE SECTOR LABOUR FORCE

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87-004-XIE

In Canada 1991 to 2002, total employment in the culture sector increased +31% to 577,000. In the period, self employment increased +57% to 148,000. In 2002 share of total employment was to 3.7%.

In Canada 1991`to 2002 total employment in culture occupations increased +64% to 172,000.

In Canada 1996 to 1999, earnings (1999$) in culture occupations increased +13.9% to $28,291.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-09

CULTURE SERVICES TRADE 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87-213-XIE

In Canada 2002, the total culture services trade deficit (current $) declined to $0.9 billion over 2001.

Total culture services exports (current $) increased +15.3% to $2.6 billion over 2001. Total culture services im (current $) increased +6.2% to $3.6 billion over 2001.

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DEATHS 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F0211XIE

In Canada 2002, the number of deaths increased +1.9% to 223,603 over 2001. Life expectancy at birth is 77.2 years for men and 82.1 years for women.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the number of deaths increased +1.5% to 7,997 over 2001. Life expectancy at birth is 76.4 years for men and 81.5 years for women.

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2004-06-23

DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS April 1, 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 91-002-XIB

In Canada April 1, 2004 the estimated population was 31,825,416. In the period January to March 2004, population increased +0.2%.

In Nova Scotia April 1, 2003 the estimated population was 936,510. In the period January to March the population declined by about 380 persons.

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2004-09-29

DEMOGRAPHICS JULY 1, 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 91-002-XIB

As of July 1, 2004 the Canadian population increased +0.9% to 31.9 million over July 1, 2003.

In Nova Scotia July 1, 2004, the population increased +0.1% to 936,960 over the same period last year

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-21

DEMOGRAPHICS OCTOBER 1, 2004
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 91-002-XIB

As of October 1, 2004 the Canadian population increased +0.3% to 32.0 million over (3 months) July 1, 2004.

In Nova Scotia October1, 2004, the population increased +0.1% to 938,134 over (3 months) July 1, 2004.

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2004-12-06

DEPOSIT-ACCEPTING INTERMEDIARIES 2003

In Canada 2003, the services of deposit-accepting intermediaries - chartered banks, trust companies, caisses populaires and credit unions - increased +4.9% to $55.2 billion over 2002.

Non-interest income increased +12.2% to $25.4 billion. Net interest income declined -0.7% to $29.9 billion.

The value of retail banking services increased +4.1% to $35.4 billion.

The value of treasury and investment banking services declined -1.3% to $10.1 billion.

The value of electronic financial services increased +24.3% to $4.2 billion.

The value of corporate and institutional services increased +6.8% to $3.8 billion.

The value of fiduciary services increased +16.6% to $1.8 billion.

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2004-01-13

DIAMONDS 1998 - 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-621-MIE

In 2003, it is expected that Canada will rank third (just ahead of South Africa) in world diamond production (15% of total production) of rough diamonds. In the period 1998 to 2002, $2.8 billion (13.8 million carats) worth of diamonds have been mined. In 2002, production increased +53% to $800 million over 2001.

In the period 1998 to 2001 employment increased from 90 to 700. Salaries averaged $61,639 per year. Currently about 2,200 are employed in diamond mining related jobs with those in diamond mining operations earning an average of $64,336 per annum.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-04

DIVORCES 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F0213XPB

In Canada 2002, the number of divorces declined -1.4% to 70,155 over 2001.
The divorce rate by 30th wedding anniversary per 100 marriages declined to 37.6 from 37.9 in 2001.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the number of divorces declined -3.1% to 1,990 over 2001.
The divorce rate by 30th wedding anniversary per 100 marriages increased to 30.4 from 28.9 in 2001.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-07

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 2150

In Canada April 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +3.0% to 7.6 million cubic metres over April 2003. Year to date, January-April 2004 sales increased +4.1% to 32.6 million cubic metres over January-April 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-04

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 2150

In Canada August 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +3.5% to 9.0 million cubic metres over August 2003. Year to date, January-August 2004 sales increased +4.5% to 67.8 million cubic metres over January-August 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-04

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 134-0004

In Canada December 2003, sales of refined petroleum products increased +7.8% to 8.5 million cubic metres over November 2002. Year to date production increased +4.7% to 98.5 million cubic metres over Jan-Dec 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-05

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 134-0004

In Canada February 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +2.8% to 7.9 million cubic metres over February 2003. Year to date, January-February 2004 production increased +3.2% to 16.3 million cubic metres over January-February 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-02

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 2150

In Canada July 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +1.5% to 8.6 million cubic metres over July 2003. Year to date, January-July 2004 sales increased +4.5% to 58.8 million cubic metres over January-July 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-29

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 2150

In Canada Jume 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +7.0% to 8.5 million cubic metres over June 2003. Year to date, January-June 2004 sales increased +4.8% to 50.1 million cubic metres over January-June 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-02

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 2150

In Canada May 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +1.8% to 8.6 million cubic metres over May 2003. Year to date, January-May 2004 sales increased +4.4% to 41.5 million cubic metres over January-May 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-12

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 134-0004

In Canada November 2003, sales of refined petroleum products increased +2.0% to 8.1 million cubic metres over October 2002. Year to date production increased +4.3% to 89.9 million cubic metres over Jan-Nov 2002.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-03

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 2150

In Canada September 2004 sales of refined petroleum products increased +1.4% to 8.3 million cubic metres over September 2003. Year to date, January-September 2004 sales increased +3.9% to 76.0 million cubic metres over January-September 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-27

DOMESTIC TRAVEL 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 3810, CANSIM 426-001 to 426-006 (Annual data)

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, Canadian trips within Canada (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.7% to 35.2 million trips over 1st quarter 2003. Expenditures (current$) declined -3.4% to $5.6 billion. Expenditures (1997$) declined -2.5% to $5.0 billion.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-07

DOMESTIC TRAVEL 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 426-001 to 426-006

In 2003, Canadian trips within Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -8.3% to 172.2 million trips over 2002. Expenditures declined -8.0% to $28.5 billion. Expenditures (1997$) declined -9.0% to $25.4 billion.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-06

DOMESTIC TRAVEL 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Survey 3810, CANSIM 426-001 to 426-006 (Annual data)

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, Canadian trips within Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -7.5% to 39.7 million trips over 2nd quarter 2003. Expenditures (current$) declined -3.5% to $6.4 billion. Expenditures (1997$) declined -5.0% to $5.7 billion.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-16

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE AND TECHNOLOGY 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada 2003, the percentage of private sector firms that use the internet increased to 78.2% from 75.7% in 2002. The percentage with web sites increased to 34.0% from 31.5%. The percentage that purchase over the internet increased to 37.2% from 31.7% and the percentage that sell over the internet decreased to 7.1% from 7.5% ($18.6 billion = 0.8% total operating revenue).

In Canada 2003, in information and cultural industries 93.5% of firms use the internet; 61.4% have a web site; 56.5% purchase over the internet; and 22.3% sell over the internet ($1.4 billion = 1.8% of total operating revenue).

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-05

EMPLOYER PENSION PLANS 2002

Statistics Canada CANSIM 280-0002 to 284-0004

In Canada 2002, the return on investment (ROI) of trusteed pension plans declined to +1.7% from a high of +12.6% posted in 2000.

In 2002, Employee contributions increased +35% to $6.8 billion over 2000. Employer contributions increased +73% to $12.6 billion over 2000.

2004-09-22

EMPLOYER-SPONSORED PENSION PLANS 2002

Statistics Canada 13F0026MIE, 74-508-XWE

In Canada 2002, the percentage of workers covered by a registered pension plan (RPP) declined -0.5 percentage points to 39.6 (5.52 million workers) over 2001. Total annual contributions increased +14% to $23.5 billion (constant$) over 2001.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the percentage of workers covered by a registered pension plan (RPP) increased +0.2 percentage points to 41.8% (165,323 workers) over 2001.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-29

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, APRIL 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada April 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% to 553,000 over March 2004, and declined -0.8% over April 2003.

In Nova Scotia April 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.7 to 30,760 over March 2004, and increased +3.2% over April 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-14

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, COVERAGE 2002

Statistics Canada Survey 4428

In Canada 2002, about 55% (680,000) of the unemployed (1.228 million) were potentially eligible for employment insuramnce benefits. Of these, about 84% (571,000) had accumulated sufficient hours to file a claim. (In other words, 42.3% of the unemployed received or will receive employment insurance benefits.)

2004-02-24

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada December 2003, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.4% to 559,890 over November 2003, and increased +2.4% over December 2002.

In Nova Scotia December 2003, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.7% to 29,650 over November 2003, and declined -3.1% over December 2002.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-27

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada February 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to 555,010 over January 2004, and increased +3.8% over February 2003.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.9% to 30,490 over January 2004, and increased +1.8% over February 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-30

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada January 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.7% to 559,940 over December 2003, and increased +4.4% over January 2003.

In Nova Scotia January 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.9% to 29,970 over December 2003, and increased +0.3% over January 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-28

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, JULY 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada July 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) decreased -1.9% to 527,900 over June 2004, and declined -9.6% over July 2003.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.9% to 29,450 over June 2004, and decreased -3.4% over July 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-26

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, MARCH 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada March 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.8% to 550,790 over February 2004, and increased +2.1% over March 2003.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.8% to 29,840 over February 2004, and declined -0.4% over March 2003.

2004-07-27

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, MAY 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada May 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.8% to 546,680 over April 2004, and declined -4.0% over May 2003.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) decreased -3.0% to 29,630 over April 2004, and decreased -0.8% over May 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-27

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada November 2003, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.4% to 571,310 over October 2003, and increased +3.8% over November 2002.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.8% to 29,880 over October 2003, and declined -3.7% over November 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-21

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada October 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) decreased -2.2% to 522,430 over September 2004, and declined -9.6% over October 2003.

In Nova Scotia October 2004, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.6% to 30,100 over September 2004, and decreased -0.4% over October 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-24

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023, 281-0046

In Canada April 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $703.21 over March 2004, and increased +2.4% over April 2003. Employment increased +0.2% to 13.5 million over March 2004.

In Nova Scotia April 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.5% to $621.46 over March 2004, and increased +4.3% over April 2003. Employment increased +0.3% to 377,900 over March 2004.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-27

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023 to 281-0046

In Canada August 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to $697.94 over July 2004, and increased +1.8% over August 2003. Employment declined -0.1% to 13.5 million over July 2004.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to $618.12 over July 2004, and increased +3.4% over July 2003. Employment declined -0.1% to 380,000 over July 2004.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-26

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XIB

In Canada December 2003, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.1% to $699.19 over November 2003, and increased +1.6% over December 2002. Employment increased +0.6% to 13.5 million over November 2003.

In Nova Scotia December 2003, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to $602.95 over November 2003, and increased +1.3% over December 2002. Employment declined -0.3% to 385,600 over November 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-30

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XIB

In Canada January 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.5% to $695.54 over December 2003, and increased +1.4% over January 2003. Employment increased +0.6% to 13.4 million over December 2003.

In Nova Scotia January 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.5% to $601.70 over December 2003, and increased +1.1% over January 2003. Employment increased +1.0% to 382,600 over December 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-28

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS JULY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023 to 281-0046

In Canada July 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.3% to $700.13 over June 2004, and increased +1.3% over July 2003. Employment increased +0.2% to 13.6 million over June 2004.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at $617.53 over June 2004, and increased +3.2% over July 2003. Employment increased +0.2% to 381,600 over June 2004.

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2004-08-26

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023 to 281-0046

In Canada June 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to $706.79 over May 2004, and increased +2.3% over June 2003. Employment increased +0.6% to 13.5 million over May 2004.

In Nova Scotia June 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.8% to $646.20 over May 2004, and increased +3.8% over June 2003. Employment increased +1.5% to 381,300 over May 2004.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-27

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023, 281-0046

In Canada March 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% to $702.97 over February 2003, and increased +2.4% over March 2003. Employment remained unchanged at 13.4 million over February 2004.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $611.10 over February 2004, and increased +2.5% over March 2003. Employment remained unchanged at 378,800 over February 2004.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-28

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS MAY2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023 to 281-0046

In Canada May 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.1% to $701.70 over April 2004, and increased +2.1% over May 2003. Employment decreased -0.1% to 13.4 million over April 2004.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) decreased -1.1% to $615.76 over April 2004, and increased +2.7% over May 2003. Employment decreased -0.3% to 378,400 over April 2004.

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2004-01-29

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XIB

In Canada November 2003, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to $693.37 over October 2003, and increased +0.9% over November 2002. Employment remained unchanged at 13.3 million over October 2003.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to $598.39 over October 2003, and increased +0.8% over November 2002. Employment declined -1.0% to 379,500 over October 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-22

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023 to 281-0046

In Canada October 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to $704.88 over September 2004, and increased +1.9% over October 2003. Employment declined -0.1% to 13.5 million over September 2004.

In Nova Scotia October 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.4% to $617.88 over September 2004, and increased +3.5% over October 2003. Employment declined -0.7% to 376,500 over September 2004.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-29

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 281-0023 to 281-0046

In Canada September 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $703.58 over August 2004, and increased +1.7% over September 2003. Employment increased +0.5% to 13.5 million over August 2004.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $619.14 over August 2004, and increased +3.2% over September 2003. Employment remained unchanged at 379,500over August 2004.

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2004-09-30

ENERGY CONSUMPTION BY MANUFACTURERS 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 128-0005 - 128-0006

In Canada 2003, energy consumption by manufacturers increased +0.5% to 2,562,752 tetrajoules over 2002.

Note: 1,000 tetrajoules is approximates the amount of energy required to operate the Montreal subway system for one year.

ENERGY SUPPLY AND DEMAND 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 57-003-XIB, CANSIM 128-0001 - 128-0003

In Canada 2003, energy consumption increased +3.0% to 7,605 petajoules over 2002.
In Canada 2003, energy production declined -0.2% to 16,131 petajoules over 2002.

In Nova Scotia 2003, energy consumption increased +4.0% to 181 petajoules over 2002.

Note: One petajoules is approximates the amount of energy required to operate the Montreal subway system for one year.

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2004-09-21

ENVIRONMENT INDUSTRY 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 16F0008XIE

In Canada 2002, environment industry revenues from environmental goods ($6.6 billion) and services ($7 billion), and environment-related construction projects ($2.2 billion) increased +8% to $15.8 billion over 2000. The number of firms increased to 7,967 from 7,493 in 2000. SME's (93% of firms, firms with less than 100 employees) contributed 54% of total revenue.

In Nova Scotia 2002, environment industry goods totaled $18.4 million; environment services totaled $9.6 million; exports totaled $28.0 million.

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2004-10-19

ENVIRONMENTAL EXPENDITURES 2002

Statistics Canada Survey 1903

In Canada 2002, the Survey of Environmental Protection Expenditures indicated that operating expenditure on environmental protection by industry increased +24% to $3.6 billion over 2000. Capital expenditures increased +35% to $2.9 billion over 2000.

The greaterst increase was in the petroleum and coal products industry where capital expenditures reached $871.3 million.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-06

FAMILY FARM INCOME 2001

Statistics Canada 21-019-XIE

In Canada 2001, average total income of farm families (148,560 families) increased +9.7% to $72,674 over 2000. Net farm-operating income was $20,185

The highest average total income was on poultry and egg farms (1,780 families) , where net farm-operating income was $44,866 and total income averaged $92,991.

The lowest average income was on other vegetable (except potato) fams (1970 families) where net farm-operating income was $16,415 and total income was $59,030.

Oilseed and grain farming families (52,810 families) total income increased +13.5% to $80,518. Total off-farm income = $56,897; net farm-operating income = $23,621.

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2004-05-26

FAMILY INCOME 2002

Statistics Canada CANSIM 111-0009 to 111-0015

In Canada 2002, median total income of couple families was $61,200. Median income for lone-parent families was $28,100, and for non-family persons $20,100.

In Halifax 2002, median total income of couple families was $65,200. Median income for lone-parent families was $26,100, and for non-family persons $22,000.

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2004-05-27

FARM CASH RECEIPTS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0002, 002-0003, 002-0005, 002-0007, 002-0009, 002-0012, 003-0025

In Canada Jan-Mar 2004, farm cash receipts declined -2.6% to $8.9 billion over Jan-Mar 2003. Livestock cash receipts declined -11.9% to $4.1 billion, crop cash receipts increased +18.7% to $3.7 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) declined -18.4% to $1.1 billion.

In Nova Scotia Jan-Mar 2004, farm cash receipts increased +9.4% to $106 million over Jan-Mar 2003. Livestock cash receipts increased +8.4% to $83.5 million, crop cash receipts declined -7.5% to $16.7 million, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +207.7% to $6.0 million.

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2004-02-24

FARM CASH RECEIPTS 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0002

ANNUAL

In Canada 2003, farm cash receipts declined -5.0% to $34.2 billion over 2002. Livestock cash receipts declined -11.1% to $16.2 billion, crop cash receipts declined -8.4% to $13.2 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +41.6% to $4.9 billion.

In Nova Scotia 2003, farm cash receipts increased +2.8% to $416 million over 2002. Livestock cash receipts declined -2.2% to $256.5 million, crop cash receipts increased +8.6% to $143.0 million, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +47.8% to $16.8 million.

4TH QUARTER

In Canada Oct-Dec 2003, farm cash receipts declined -8.5% to $9.5 billion over Oct-Dec 2002. Livestock cash receipts declined -14.0% to $4.1 billion, crop cash receipts declined -15.5% to $3.6 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +30.8% to $1.8 billion.

In Nova Scotia Oct-Dec 2003, farm cash receipts increased +1.8% to $116 million over Oct-Dec 2002. Livestock cash receipts declined -4.0% to $57.1 million, crop cash receipts declined -0.3% to $49.0 million, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +91.9% to $9.6 million.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-26

FARM CASH RECEIPTS 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0002, 002-0003, 002-0005, 002-0007, 002-0009, 002-0012, 003-0025

2nd Quarter

In Canada Apr-Jun 2004, farm cash receipts increased +14.0% to $8.8 billion over Apr-Jun 2003. Livestock cash receipts declined -1.8% to $4.0 billion, crop cash receipts increased +22.4% to $3.7 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased 71.0% to $1.2 billion.

In Nova Scotia Apr-Jun 2004, farm cash receipts increased +5.5% to $96 million over Apr-Jun 2003.

1st half 2004

In Canada Jan-Jun 2004, farm cash receipts increased +6.3% to $17.9 billion over Jan-Jun 2003. Livestock cash receipts declined -5.6% to $8.2 billion, crop cash receipts increased +21.7% to $7.4 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +10.8% to $2.3 billion.

In Nova Scotia Jan-Jun 2004, farm cash receipts increased +8.5% to $204 million over Jan-Jun 2003.

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2004-11-25

FARM CASH RECEIPTS 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0002, 002-0003, 002-0005, 002-0007, 002-0009, 002-0012, 003-0025

3rd Quarter

In Canada Jul-Sep 2004, farm cash receipts increased +4.3% to $8.1 billion over Jul-Sep 2003. Livestock cash receipts increased +16.6% to $4.1 billion, crop cash receipts declined -3.4% to $3.2 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) declined -14.2% to $0.8 billion.

In Nova Scotia Jul-Sep 2004, farm cash receipts increased +0.9% to $111 million over AJUl-Sep 2003.

Jan-Sep 2004

In Canada Jan-Sep 2004, farm cash receipts increased +6.4% to $26.1 billion over Jan-Sep 2003. Livestock cash receipts increased +1.6% to $12.3 billion, crop cash receipts increased +13.4% to $10.7 billion, and payments cash receipts (net income stablisation, crop insurance, etc.) increased +4.2% to $3.1 billion.

In Nova Scotia Jan-Sep 2004, farm cash receipts increased +9.4% to $327 million over Jan-Sep 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-01

FARM INPUT PRICE INDEX 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 328-0014, Survey 2305

In Canada 2003, the farm input price index (1992=100) increased +3.2%% to 132.7 over 2002.

In Eastern Canada 2003, the farm input price index (1992=100) increased +2.1%% to 128.8 over 2002. In Western Canada 2003, the farm input price index (1992=100) increased +4.9%% to 137.7 over 2002.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-25

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada August 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +0.8% to 100.5 over July 2004 and increased +5.2% over August 2003. The FPPI crops increased +3.2% to 99.7 over July 2004 and declined -2.9% over August 2003. The FPPI livestock declined -1.3% to 101.3 over July 2004 and increased +15.5% over August 2003.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +7.7% to 102.4 over July 2004 and increased +1.5% over August 2003. The FPPI crops increased +23.3% to 101.6 over July 2004 and increased +1.7% over August 2003. The FPPI livestock declined -1.7% to 101.5 over July 2004 and increased +2.6% over August 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-08

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada December 2003, the farm product price index (1997=100) declined -1.6% to 92.5 over November 2003 and declined -14.7% over December 2002. The FPPI crops declimed -3.2% to 88.8 over November 2003 and declined -21.6% over December 2002. The FPPI livestock declined -0.7% to 96.1 over November 2003 and declined -7.7% over December 2002.

In Nova Scotia December 2003, the farm product price index (1997=100) declined -0.3% to 96.4 over November 2003 and declined -4.3% over December 2002. The FPPI crops declimed -2.0% to 91.4 over November 2003 and declined -8.5% over December 2002. The FPPI livestock increased +1.5% to 98.6 over November 2003 and declined -1.7% over December 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-26

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada February 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) rose 1.3% over January 2004 to 95.4 and declined 14.3% from February 2003. The FPPI crops declined -1.3% over January 2004 to 89.3 and declined -20.8% over February 2003. The FPPI livestock increased 2.7% over January 2004 to 99.9 and declined -9.2% over February 2003.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) declined -0.8% over January 2004 to 100.4 and was unchanged from February 2003. The FPPI crops declined -3.6% over January 2004 to 95.0 and declined -5.9% February 2003. The FPPI livestock fell 0.6% over January 2004 to 101.6 and declined -0.9% over February 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-27

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada July 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) decline -1.3% to 99.7 over June 2004 and increased +3.4% over July 2003. The FPPI crops declined -2.4% to 96.5 over June 2004 and declined -8.6% over July 2003. The FPPI livestock declined -0.1% to 102.8 over June 2004 and increased +17.2% over July 2003.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) declined -3.5% to 97.9 over June 2004 and declined -2.5% over July 2003. The FPPI crops declined -10.5% to 82.4 over June 2004 and declined -14.4% over July 2003. The FPPI livestock increased +3.4% to 107.9 over June 2004 and increased +3.2% over July 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-07

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada June 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) decline -1.2% to 101.2 over May 2004 and declined -1.0% over May 2003. The FPPI crops declined -1.1% to 99.5 over May 2004 and declined -7.0% over June 2003. The FPPI livestock declined -1.1% to 102.7 over May 2004 and increased +4.7% over June 2003.

In Nova Scotia June 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) declined -1.3% over May 2004 to 101.5 and declined -1.5% over June 2003. The FPPI crops declined -3.5% to 92.9 over May 2004 and declined -4.6% over June 2003. The FPPI livestock declined -0.4% to 104.4 over May 2004 and increased +3.2% over June 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-02

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada March 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +2.9% to 97.4 over February 2004 and declined -11.1% over March 2003. The FPPI crops increased +1.1% to 92.7 over February and declined -16.3% over March 2003. The FPPI livestock increased 4.1% to 101.0 over February 2004 and declined -6.9% over March 2003.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +2.1% to 100.0 over February 2004 and declined -1.9% over March 2003. The FPPI crops increased +1.8% to 96.2 over February and declined -6.1% over March 2003. The FPPI livestock increased 2.3% to 101.3 over February 2004 and declined -2.1% over March 2003.

2004-07-27

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada May 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +2.4% to 101.8 over April 2004 and declined -6.2% over May 2003. The FPPI crops increased +2.5% to 99.4 over April 2004 and declined -7.4% over May 2003. The FPPI livestock increased 2.2% to 103.6 over April 2004 and declined -4.9% over May 2003.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +1.7% over April 2004 to 101.4 and declined -2.1% over May 2003. The FPPI crops declined -0.5% to 96.0 over April 2004 and declined -2.4% over May 2003. The FPPI livestock increased 2.1% to 103.1 over April 2004 and declined -2.7% over May 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-02

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada November 2003, the farm product price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 93.1 over October 2003 and declined -13.3% over November 2002. The FPPI crops declimed -1.1% to 90.4 over October 2003 and declined -19.3% over November 2002. The FPPI livestock increased +0.9% to 96.5 over October 2003 and declined -4.4% over November 2002.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, the farm product price index (1997=100) declined -3.2% to 98.1 over October 2003 and declined -1.6% over November 2002. The FPPI crops declined -4.6% to 95.8 over October 2003 and declined -1.7% over November 2002. The FPPI livestock declined -1.7% to 97.6 over October 2003 and declined -1.6% over November 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-05

FARM PRODUCT PRICE INDEX OCTOBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-007-XIB

In Canada October 2003, the farm product price index (1997=100) increased +2.1% to 92.6 over September 2003 and declined -13.5% over October 2002. The FPPI crops increased +3.8% to 90.1 over September 2003 and declined -18.7% over October 2002. The FPPI livestock declined -0.2% to 96.1 over September 2003 and declined -4.4% over October 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-02

FARMING OPERATING REVENUES & EXPENDITURES 2002(final)

Statistics Canada

In Canada the average operating revenues per farm increased 4.8% to $202,660 and average operating expenses went up 4.9% to $172,410 from 2001 to 2002. Consequently, average operating margins dropped 0.1 cents to 14.9 cents per dollar of revenue.

Among all farm types, poultry and eggs farms ranked first in average operating revenues ($722,630) in 2002, followed closely by hog and pig farms ($720,461) and greenhouse and nursery production ($683,518).

On a revenue-class basis, farms with operating revenues of between $100,000 and $249,999 had the highest operating margins, estimated at 21.2 cents, a decrease of 0.4 cents from 2001. All revenue clases below $250,000 reported a decrease in operating margins, while all revenue classes of $250,000 and above reported an incraese in operating margins.

Grain and oilseed farms had the highest operating margins at 23.9 cents per dollar of revenue, up 1.1 cents from 2001. Dairy farms ranked second at 23.4 cents, down 0.8 cents from 2001. Hog and pig farms experienced the largest decrease in operating margins by -5.9 cents to 7.5 cents per dollar of operating revenue in 2002.

Farms with sales of $500,000 and over accounted for 53.2% of farming revenues in 2002, compared with 38.7% in 1997.

Note: Operating margin is defined as one dollar minus operating expenses (before depreciation) per dollar of revenue. These estimates cover unincorporated farms with gross operating revenues of $10,000 and over, and corporations with total farm sales of $25,000 and over for which 50.0% or more of sales come from agricultural activities.

2004-11-29

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 282-0052, 282-0001

In Canada September 2004, federal government employment (annual) declined to 267,378 from 268,577 in 2003.

In Ottawa-Gatineau September 2004, federal government employment declined to 111,715 from 112,310 in 2003. This CMA has the highest proportion of federal government jobs = 17.9% of total employment (622,700).

In Halifax September 2004, federal government employment declined to 16,437 from 16,479 in 2003. This CMA has the 2nd highest proportion of federal government jobs = 8.3% of total employment (199,100).

Note: Federal government employees are those working for the sovereign and non-sovereign bodies of federal ministries, departments and agencies; for autonomous organizations, boards, commissions and funds; and for other instrumentalities. They are engaged in the implementation of government policy and/or the delivery of government services. They include the military (regular forces and reservists).

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-13

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE MARCH 31, 2003

Financial Management System
CANSIM 385-0010, 385-0014, 385-0017, 385-0019

In Canada March 31, 2003, federal government net debt declined $8.2 billion to $526.5 billion over 2002. The net debt expressed as a percentage of GDP declined 4.1 percentage points to 43.5%. Net debt per capita declined to $16,691 from $17,107 in 2002.

NOTE: The Financial Management System (FMS) is used to produce the government financial statistics presented in this release. FMS standardizes individual government accounts to provide consistent and comparable statistics. As a result, FMS statistics may differ from the figures published in individual government financial statements. A reconciliation statement of FMS to Public Accounts is available from Statistics Canada.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-08

FERTILIZER AND PESTICIDES MANAGEMENT

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-021-MIE

In Canada 2001 of 170,650 farms 74.5% or 127,075 applied commercial fertilizer. Only 14.8% or 25,310 farms have a formal nutrient management plan in place.

In Nova Scotia 2001 of 1,940 farms 75.8% or 1,470 applied commercial fertilizer. Only 5.2% or 100 farms have a formal nutrient management plan in place.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-14

FILM AND VIDEO DISTRIBUTION 2002/2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87F0010XPE

In Canada 2002/2003, profit of film, video and audio-visual distribution increased to $769.5 million (13.4 of total revenue).

In Canada 2002/2003, the total revenue of film, video and audio-visual distribution increased +8.0% over 2001/2003 to $3.3 billion. Total expenses increased +4.8% over 2001/2002 to $2.8 billion.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-08

FINANCIAL AND TAXATION STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-008-XIE

In Canada 2002, corporate total tax-payable declined -1.5% to $35.2 billion over 2001. Taxable income increased +1.2% to $102.6 billion, operating profit increased +1.0% to $172.7 billion, and operating revenue increased +1.1% to $2.4 trillion.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-20

FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 385-0011-385-0013, 385-0015, 385-0016

In Canada fiscal year-ending December 31, 2003, federal government enterprises after-tax profit increased +16.7% to $6.9 billion over 2002.

Provincial and territorial government enterprise after-tax profits increased 6.0% to $11.8 billion.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-03

FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-008-XIE

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, after-tax profit declined -7.4% to $26.5 billion over 4th quarter 2003 and declined -2.5% over 1st quarter 2003.

Operating profit increased +6.0% to $47.4 billion over 4th quarter 2003, increased +8.1% over 1st quarter 2003. Operating revenue declined -0.2% to $618.3 billion over 4th quarter 2003, and increased +0.7% over 1st quarter 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-26

FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-008-XIE

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, after-tax profit increased +11.0% to $31.7 billion over 1st quarter 2004 and increased +23.3% over 2nd quarter 2003.

Operating profit increased +4.1% to $50.7 billion over 1st quarter 2004, and increased +23.3% over 2nd quarter 2003. Operating revenue increased +2.1% to $633.2 billion over 1st quarter 2004, and increased +4.1% over 2nd quarter 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-25

FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-008-XIE

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, corporate after-tax profits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $26.1 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003. Operating revenue increased +1.0% to $598.9 billion and operating profit increased +3.3% to $42.9 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Canada 2003, corporate after-tax profits (seasonally adjusted) increased +37.0% to $105.8 billion over 2002. Operating revenue increased +4.0% to $2.4 trillion and operating profit increased +15.1% to $168.3 billion over 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-07

FIXED ASSETS 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 031-0002

In Canada 2004, the value of structures and equipment in the country increased +31% to $2.6 trillion over 1994. Machinery and equipment assets increased +73% to $879 billion.

Capital intensity (assets/employment) increased +9% since 1994 to $188,000 per worker,

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-26

FOOD CONSUMPTION 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0010, 002-0011, 002-0019

In Canada 2002, beef consumption increased +5.0% to 14.2 kg per capita. Pork consumption declined -9.6% to 12.1 kg per capita and poultry remained unchanged at 13.6 kg per capita.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-02

FOREIGN CONTROL IN THE CANADIAN ECONOMY 2001 AND 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-220-XIE

In Canada 2002, assets of foreign-controlled enterprises increased +4.3% to $954 billion (or 21.7% of total assets) over 2001. Operating revenues declined -1.6% to $704 billion (or 28.9% of total operating revenue). Operating profit declined -1.9% to $50 billion.

In Canada 2002, assets of Canadian-controlled enterprises increased +4.7% to $3.4 trillion over 2001. Operating revenues increased +2.2% to $1.7 trillion. Operating profit increased +2.2% to $123 billion.

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2004-05-18

FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 376-0038, 376-0051, 376-0053, 376-0054

In 2003, Canadian direct foreign investment abroad declined -7.1% to $399.1 billion over 2002. Foreign direct investment in Canada increased +2.5% to $357.5 billion over 2002.

In 2002, Canadian direct foreign investment in the United States declined -16.3% to $164.9 billion (41% of Can.DI) over 2001. U.S. foreign direct investment in Canada increased +2.3% to $228.4 billion (64% of For.DI) over 2002.

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2004-01-07

GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES ON CULTURE 2001/02

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87F0001XDB

In Canada 2001/2002, government expenditures on culture increased +7.6% to $6.8 billion over 2000/2001. Federal government spending increased +8.9% to $3.2 billion; provincial government spending increased +2.6% to $2.2 billion, and municipal government spending increased +9.3% to $1.8 billion.

In Canada 2001/20002, federal government per capita expenditures increased $7 to $103, provincial government expenditures increased +$1 to $69 per capita, and municipal government expenditures increased +$4 to $58 per capita.

In Nova Scotia 2001/2002, federal government expenditures increased to $106 per capita, provincial government expenditures increased to $63 per capita and municipal government expenditures increased to $42 per capita.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-05

GRAIN STOCKS December 31, 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 22-002-XPB

In Canada as of December 31, 2003, total wheat stocks increased +28% to 17.6 million tonnes over the same date one year earlier. Other major grain stocks that increased include Barley +57% to 8.3 million tonnes; Canola +28% to 4.1 million tonnes; Oats +41% to 2.2 million tonnes. Grain stocks that declined include soybeans -21% to 1.3 million tonnes; flax -2% to .4 million tonnes.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-30

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada April 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $1.04 trillion (annualized) over March 2004, and increased +2.9% over April 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries increased +0.3% to $326.5 billion (annualized) over March 2004, and increased +3.3% over April 2003.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries remained unchanged at $710.7 billion (annualized) over March 2004, and increased +2.7% over April 2003.

In the Information and communications technology sector GDP growth declined -0.3% to $57.9 billion (annualized) over March 2004, and increased +2.5% over April 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-29

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AUGUST 2004

Ref: Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada August 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $1.05 trillion (annualized) over July 2004, and increased +4.6% over August 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries increased +0.6% to $330.6 billion (annualized) over July 2004, and increased +5.3% over August 2003.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries incraesed 0.4% to $723.1 billion (annualized) over July 2004, and increased +4.3% over August 2003.

In the Energy sector GDP growth increased +1.1% to $62.4 billion (annualized) over July 2004, and increased +0.7% over August 2003.

In the ICT sector GDP growth increased +1.1% to $62.3 billion (annualized) over July 2004, and increased +14.4% over August 2003.

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2004-02-27

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada December 2003, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $1.03 trillion (annualized) over November 2003, and increased +1.9% over December 2002.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries increased +0.9% $324.7 billion (annualized) over November 2003, and increased +1.5% over December 2002.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries increased +0.3% to $703.0 billion (annualized) over November 2003, and increased +2.1% over December 2002.

In the Information and communications technology sector GDP growth increased +0.1% to $57.1 billion (annualized) over November 2003, and increased +2.4% over December 2002.

In the Energy sector GDP growth increased +0.9% to $60.2 billion annualized over November 2003, and increased +0.5% over December 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-30

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada February 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at $1,024.9 billion (annualized) over January 2004, and increased +1.6% over February 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries declined -0.4% to $321.6 billion (annualized) over January 2004, and increased +1.3% over February 2003.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries increased +0.2% to $704.7 billion (annualized) over January 2004, and increased +1.7% over February 2003.

In the Information and Communications Technology Sector GDP growth declined -0.2% to $57.3 billion (annualized) over January 2004, and increased +1.0% over February 2003.

In the Energy Sector GDP growth declined -0.6% to $60.2 billion (annualized) over January 2004, and increased +1.7% over February 2003.

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2004-03-31

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada January 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.1% to $1,025.4 billion (annualized) over December 2003, and increased +1.6% over January 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries decreased -0.4% to $323.2 billion (annualized) over December 2003, and increased +1.6% over January 2003.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries remained at the same level as in December 2003 at $703.4 billion, and increased +1.7% over January 2003.

In the Information and Communications Technology Sector GDP growth increased +0.7% to $57.6 billion (annualized) over December 2003, and increased +1.8% over January 2003.

In the Energy Sector GDP growth increased +0.3% to $60.6 billion (annualized) over December 2003, and increased +1.6% over Janury 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-30

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada July 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $1.05 trillion (annualized) over June 2004, and increased +3.1% over July 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries increased +0.2% to $328.3 billion (annualized) over June 2004, and increased +3.8% over July 2003.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries incraesed 0.1% to $719.4 billion (annualized) over June 2004, and increased +2.7% over July 2003.

In the Energy sector GDP growth increased +0.1% to $60.0 billion (annualized) over June 2004, and declined -0.2% over July 2003.

In the ICT sector GDP growth increased +1.5% to $61.4 billion (annualized) over June 2004, and increased +5.3% over July 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-31

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada March 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.7% to $1.03 trillion (annualized) over February 2004, and increased +2.5% over March 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries increased +1.1% to $325.2 billion (annualized) over February 2004.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries increased +0.5% to $708.3 billion (annualized) over February 2003.

In the Information and communications technology sector GDP growth increased +0.7% to $58.0 billion (annualized) over February 2004.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-29

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada May 2004, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to $1.04 trillion (annualized) over April 2004, and increased +3.2% over May 2003.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries increased +0.6% to $328.4 billion (annualized) over April 2004, and increased +4.0% over May 2003.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries incraesed 0.1% to $713.9 billion (annualized) over April 2004, and increased +2.9% over May 2003.

In the Energy sector GDP growth increased +1.2% to $61.1 billion (annualized) over April 2004, and increased +4.8% over May 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-30

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada November 2003, GDP at basic prices, 1997 chained dollars (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at $1.02 trillion (annualized) over October 2003, and increased +1.5% over November 2002.

GDP growth in goods-producing industries remained unchanged at $319.0 billion (annualized) over October 2003, and increased +1.0% over November 2002.

GDP growth in the services-producing industries remained unchanged at $700.6 billion (annualized) over October 2003, and increased +1.7% over November 2002.

In the Information and communications technology sector GDP growth increased +0.2% to $56.5 billion (annualized) over October 2003, and increased +0.9% over November 2002.

In the Energy sector GDP growth increased +1.8% to $59.2 billion annualized over October 2003, and increased +0.7% over November 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-30

HEALTH SERVICES ACCESS SURVEY 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 82-575-XIE

In Canada 2003, the percentage of waiting times longer than 3 months for non-emergency surgeries was 17%. For 1 to 3 months was 42%; for less than one month was 41%.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the percentage of waiting times longer than 3 months for non-emergency surgeries was 24%. For 1 to 3 months was 37%; for less than one month was 39%.

In Canada 2003, the percentage of waiting times longer than 3 months for diagnostic tests was 11.5%. For 1 to 3 months it was 31.1%; for less than one month was 57.5%.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the percentage of waiting times longer than 3 months for diagnostic tests was 7.4%. For 1 to 3 months it was 29.7; for less than one month it was 62.9%.

2004-10-25

HERITAGE INSTITUTIONS 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87F0002XIE

In Canada 2002, total attendance at national parks declined -0.7% to 117.4 million over 1999. Operating revenues increased +19.5% to $1.7 billion, and operating expenditures increased +22.0% to $1.6 billion over 1999.

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HOMCIDES 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002 Vol 24 No. 8.

In Canada 2003, the number of homicides declined to 548 from 582 in 2002. The rate per 100,000 persons was 1.73.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the number of homicides declined to 8 from 9 in 2002. The rate per 100,000 persons was 0.85.

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HOUSEHOLD INTERNET USE SURVEY, 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 358-0002 to 358-0006, 358-0017

In Canada 2003, Household internet use from any location increased +2.6 percentage points to 64.2% over 2002. Internet use from home increased +3.1 percentage points to 54.5%; from work increased +2.3 percentage points to 36.5%; from school increased +0.2 percentage points to 23.1%.

In Nova Scotia 2003, household internet use from any location increased +5.0 percentage points to 63.1% over 2002. Internet use from home increased +6.8 percentage points to 52.7%; from work increased +4.4 percentage points to 35.0%; from school increased +1.5 percentage points to 26.0%.

In Halifax 2003, household internet use from any location increased +7.9 percentage points to 77.7% over 2002. Internet use from home increased +11.5 percentage points to 67.3%; from work increased +6.0 percentage points to 49.9%; from school increased +5.8 percentage points to 33.7%.

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HOUSEHOLD SPENDING 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No.:
62F0031XDB, 62F0032XDB, 62F0033XDB, 62F0034XDB, 62F0035XDB,
62F0041XDB, 62F0042XDB, 62F0043XDB, 62F0044XDB, 62F0045XDB

In Canada 2003, average household spending increased +1.8% to $61,150 over 2002. Personal taxes averaged $12,370 or 20.2% (increased from 20.2% in 2002) of average household expenditures. Shelter = $11,580 (18.9%), transportation = $8,350 (13.7%), food = $6,790 (11.1%), recreation = $3,550 (5.9%).

In Nova Scotia 2003, average household spending increased +6.0% to $54,295 over 2002. Personal taxes averaged $10,061 (increased +9.6%). Shelter averaged $9,397 (increased 4.3%), transportation averaged $8,099 (declined -0.6%), food averaged $6,137 (increased +6.5%), recreation averaged $3,119 (increased +11.4%).

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HUMAN ACTIVITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT 2004

Statistics Canada 16-201-XIE

In 2004, Canadians produced 45% more energy than they consumed. Per capita consumption increased to 353 gigajoutles (e.g. gigajoule = 30-litres of gasoline) in 2002 from 222 gigajoules in 1967.

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ICT IN SCHOOLS 2003/04

Statistics Canada Cat. 81-595-MIE

In Canada 2003/2004 the proportion of schools with internet connected computer was 97.7%. The proportion using dial-up access was 8.8%, and the proportion with "always on access" was 85.8% (High Speed = 31.6%, Optical fibre = 22.8%, Cable modem = 15.3%, T1 line = 11.6%, fixed wireless = 7,6%, satelite = 4.9%). The median student to computer ratio was 5.0.

In Nova Scotia the median student to computer ratio was 4.9.

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IMMIGRANT's IN CANADA'S CMA'S 2001

Statistics Canada 89-613-MIE

In Halifax 2001, the percentage of total population comprised of recent immigrants is 2.1%, an increase from the 1.7% reported in the 1991 census.

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IMPACT OF MAD COW

Statistics Canada CANSIM 21-601-MIE

In Canada 2003, farm cash receipts from cattle and calves declined 33% or to $5.2 billion.

Given certain operating costs assumptions, family run unicorporated beef cattle operations lost an average of $20,000 due to BSE. Average total income for families with beef cattle operations in 2000 would have declined 33% from $60,000 to $40,000.

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INCOME OF INDIVIDUALS 2002

Statistics Canada CANSIM 111-0004 to 111-0008

In Canada 2002, median total income of individuals increased +4.1% to $24,300 since 1997. 2000. The economic dependancy ratio ($Govt per $100 of income) was 16.09.

In Halifax 2002, median total income of individuals increased +4,9% to $25,400 over 1997. The economic dependancy ratio ($Govt per $100 of income) was 13.77.

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INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY UTILIZATION RATES 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 028-0002

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, the industrial capacity utilization rate (ratio of actual to potential output) increased +0.6 percentage points to 83.5 over the 4th quarter 2003, and increased +0.8 percentage points over 1st quarter 2003..

The Forestry and logging sector capacity utilization rate increased +1.1 percentage points to 91.8 over the 4th quarter 2003, and declined -3.0 percentage points over 1st quarter 2003.

The Manufacturing sector capacity utilization rate increased +2.1 percentage points to 84.0 over the 3rd quarter 2003. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) declined -0.4 percentage points to 82.9 over 2002.

The Mining, Oil and Gas extraction sector capacity utilization rate declined -0.3 percentage points to 71.6 over the 4th quarter 2003, and increased +2.5 percentage points over the 1st quarter 2003.

The Construction sector capacity utilization rate increased +0.5 percentage points to 86.8 over the 4th quarter 2003, and increased +0.2 percentage points over thev 1st quarter 2003.

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The Computer and electronic products sector capacity utilization rate increased +1.1 percentage points to 75.6 over the 4th quarter 2003 and +9.0 percentage points over the 1st quarter 2003.

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INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY UTILIZATION RATES 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 028-0002

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, the industrial capacity utilization rate (ratio of actual to potential output) increased +1.2 percentage points to 84.6 over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +3.2 percentage points over 2nd quarter 2003.

The Forestry and logging sector capacity utilization rate increased +3.0 percentage points to 90.2 over the 1st quarter 2004, and declined -4.7 percentage points over 2nd quarter 2003.

The Oil and Gas Extraction sector capacity utilization rate increased +1.0 percentage points to 65.2 over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +2.1 percentage points over 2nd quarter 2003.

The Construction sector capacity utilization rate declined -0.2 percentage points to 86.4 over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +0.5 percentage points over 2nd quarter 2003.

The Manufacturing sector capacity utilization rate increased +1.6 percentage points to 86.6 over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +4.4 percentage points over 2nd quarter 2003.

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The Computer and electronic products sector capacity utilization rate increased +1.0 percentage points to 78.1 over the 1st quarter 2004 and +10.5 percentage points over the 2nd quarter 2003.

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INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY UTILIZATION RATES 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada *CANSIM 028-0002*

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, the industrial capacity utilization rate (ratio of actual to potential output) increased +1.6 percentage points to 82.9 over the 3rd quarter 2003. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) declined -0.3 percentage points to 82.0 over 2002.

The Forestry and logging sector capacity utilization rate increased +3.4 percentage points to 91.2 over the 3rd quarter 2003. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) increased +6.8 percentage points to 90.7 over 2002.

The Manufacturing sector capacity utilization rate increased +2.1 percentage points to 84.0 over the 3rd quarter 2003. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) declined -0.4 percentage points to 82.9 over 2002.

The Mining, Oil and Gas extration sector capacity utilization rate increased +1.6 percentage points to 72.2 over the 3rd quarter 2003. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) increased +1.1 percentage points to 70.2 over 2002.

The Construction sector capacity utilization rate increased +0.7 percentage points to 86.7 over the 3rd quarter. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) declined -0.8 percentage points to 86.2 over 2002.

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The Computer and electronic products sector capacity utilization rate increased +3.3 percentage points to 71.50 over the 3rd quarter 2003. In 2003 the industrial capacity utilization rate (annual average) increased +1.8 percentage points to 68.6 over 2002.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, February 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +1.8% to 107.0 over January 2004, and declined -2.5% over February 2003.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, January 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +1.8% to 107.0 over December 2003, and declined -3.6% over January 2003.

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2004-03-02

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, January 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +0.4% to 104.9 over December 2003, and declined -3.6% over January 2003.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, March 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +0.5% to 107.7 over February 2004, and declined -1.4% over March 2003.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, April 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +0.4% to 108.8 over March 2004, and increased +1,5% over April 2003.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, August 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +0.1% to 110.9 over July 2004, and increased +4.9% over August 2003.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, December 2003, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +0.3% to 104.6 over November 2003, and declined -3.4% over December 2002.

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2004-08-30

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JULY 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, July 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) decreased -0.4% to 110.6 over June 2004, and increased +5.0% over July 2003.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, June 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) decreased -0.5% to 110.6 over May 2004, and increased +6.4% over June 2003.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX MAY 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, May 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) increased +1.5% to 110.8 over April 2004, and increased +5.55% over May 2003.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, November 2003, the industrial product price index (1997=100) declined -0.4% to 104.4 over October 2003, and declined -4.0% over November 2002.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, October 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) declined -0.5% to 110.2 over September 2004, and increased +4.6% over October 2003.

NOTE: Impact of the exchange rate

Between September and October, the value of the Canadian dollar strengthened against the US dollar with an increase of 3.2%.

As a result, if the impact of the exchange rate had been excluded, the IPPI would have risen 0.4% compared with the actual 0.5% decline.

On a 12-month basis, if the impact of the exchange rate had been excluded, producer prices would have risen 7.0% between October 2003 and October 2004, rather than their actual 5.4% increase.

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2004-10-28

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX SEPTEMBER2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, September 2004, the industrial product price index (1997=100) declined -0.6% to 110.7 over August 2004, and increased +4.6% over September 2003.

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INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 8*-001-XIE

In Canada 2004, research and development expenditure intentions are expected to increase +1.6% to $12.5 billion over 2003.

In Canada 2002, research and development expenditure declined to $12.4 billion from the $13.8 billion posted in 2001.

In Nova Scotia 2002, research and development expenditures declined to $65 million from the $79 million posted in 2001.

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OCCUPATIONS 2002

Statistics Canada Survey 2939

In Canada 2002, employment in computer and telecommunications industries declined to 586,000 from a high of 650,000 in the 1st quarter 2001. Unemployment increased to 6.6% from 3.9% a year earlier. About 85% of public sector IT employers reported no job vacancies during this period, while 93% of private sector emplyers reported similar conditions.

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada April 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $7.6 billion. The year to date surplus was $24.7 billion.

In Canada April 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.4% to $36.6 billion over March 2004 and increased +10.1% over April 2003. Year-to-date exports declined -0.6% to $138.3 billion over Jan-Apr 2003.

In Canada April 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +0.7% to 29.1 billion over March 2004, and increased +0.9% over April 2003. Year-to-date imports declined -4.4% to $113.5 billion over Jan-Apr 2003.

Nova Scotia March 2004

In Nova Scotia March 2004, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$103.2 million. The year to date deficit was -$233.3 million.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +10.9% to $469.7 million over February 2004 and declined -16.1% over March 2003. Year-to-date exports declined -9.3% to $1.3 billion over Jan-Mar 2003.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, international merchandise trade imports declined -4.2% to $572.9 million over February 2004, and declined -10.4% over March 2003. Year-to-date imports declined -0.1% to $1.5 billion over Jan-Mar 2003.

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2004-10-14

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada August 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $7.4 billion. The year to date surplus was $49.3 billion.

In Canada August 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.4% to $37.7 billion over July 2004 and increased +18.4% over August 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +6.7% to $287.4 billion over Jan-Aug 2003.

In Canada August 2004, international merchandise trade imports declined -4.4% to 30.3 billion over July 2004, and increased +12.4% over August 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +3.3% to $238.1 billion over Jan-Aug 2003.

Nova Scotia July 2004 (not seasonally adjusted)

In Nova Scotia July 2004, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$64.8 million. The year to date deficit was -$552.8 million.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, international merchandise trade exports increased +5.5% to $575.1 million over June 2004 and increased +14.8% over August 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +2.7% to $3.4 billion over Jan-Jul 2003.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, international merchandise trade imports declined -5.4% to $639.9 million over June 2004, and increased +43.2% over August 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +14.8% to $4.0 billion over Jan-Jul 2003.

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada December 2003, the international merchandise trade surplus was $5.4 billion. The year to date surplus was $59.8 billion.

In Canada December 2003, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.5% to $33.4 billion over November 2003 and declined -3.1% over December 2002. Year-to-date exports declined -3.2% to $401.2 billion over Jan-Dec 2002.

In Canada December 2003, international merchandise trade imports increased +0.7% to 28.0 billion over November 2003, and declined -8.4% over December 2002. Year-to-date imports declined -4.2% to $341.4 billion over Jan-Dec 2002.

Nova Scotia November 2003

In Nova Scotia November 2003, the international merchandise trade surplus was +$10.4 million. The year to date deficit was -$292.8 million.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -2.1% to $413.0 million over October 2003 and increased +1.2% over November 2002. Year-to-date exports increased +4.9% to $5.1 billion over Jan-Nov 2002.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, international merchandise trade imports declined -28.9% to $402.7 million over October 2003, and increased +2.6% over November 2002. Year-to-date imports increased +14.9% to $5.4 billion over Jan-Nov 2002.

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada February 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $5.7 billion. The year to date surplus was $10.7 billion.

In Canada February 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +7.0% to $34.1 billion over January 2004 and declined -2.2% over February 2003. Year-to-date exports declined -5.6% to $65.9 billion over Jan-Feb 2003.

In Canada February 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +6.1% to 28.4 billion over January 2004, and declined -5.1% over February 2003. Year-to-date imports declined -7.7% to $55.2 billion over Jan-Feb 2003.

Nova Scotia February 2004 (not seasonally adjusted)

In Nova Scotia february 2004, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$183.5 million. The year to date deficit was -$159.4 million.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, international merchandise trade exports increased +7.4% to $414.3 million over January 2004 and increased +4.6% over February 2003. Year-to-date exports decreased +6.4% to $5.1 billion over Jan-Feb 2003.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +65.4% to $597.8 million over January 2004, and increased +8.6% over February 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +7.2% to $959.3 million over Jan-Feb 2003.

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada December 2003, the international merchandise trade surplus was $5.4 billion. The year to date surplus was $59.8 billion.

In Canada December 2003, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.5% to $33.4 billion over November 2003 and declined -3.1% over December 2002. Year-to-date exports declined -3.2% to $401.2 billion over Jan-Dec 2002.

In Canada December 2003, international merchandise trade imports increased +0.7% to 28.0 billion over November 2003, and declined -8.4% over December 2002. Year-to-date imports declined -4.2% to $341.4 billion over Jan-Dec 2002.

Nova Scotia November 2003

In Nova Scotia November 2003, the international merchandise trade surplus was +$10.4 million. The year to date deficit was -$292.8 million.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -2.1% to $413.0 million over October 2003 and increased +1.2% over November 2002. Year-to-date exports increased +4.9% to $5.1 billion over Jan-Nov 2002.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, international merchandise trade imports declined -28.9% to $402.7 million over October 2003, and increased +2.6% over November 2002. Year-to-date imports increased +14.9% to $5.4 billion over Jan-Nov 2002.

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada June 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $8.6 billion. The year to date surplus was $38.3 billion.

In Canada June 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.4% to $39.0 billion over May 2004 and increased +20.1% over June 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +4.9% to $214.4 billion over Jan-Jun 2003.

In Canada June 2004, international merchandise trade imports declined -3.7% to 30.4 billion over May 2004, and increased +9.3% over June 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +0.5% to $176,2 billion over Jan-Jun 2003.

Nova Scotia May 2004 (not seasonally adjusted)

In Nova Scotia May 2004, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$77.9 million. The year to date deficit was -$361.6 million.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, international merchandise trade exports increased +13.8% to $522.5 million over April 2004 and increased +12.1% over May 2003. Year-to-date exports declined -2.9% to $2.3 billion over Jan-May 2003.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +15.8% to $600.3 million over April 2004, and increased +35.7% over May 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +3.5% to $2.7 billion over Jan-May 2003.

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada March 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $6.2 billion. The year to date surplus was $17.2 billion.

In Canada March 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.7% to $34.9 billion over February 2004 and declined -2.6% over March 2003. Year-to-date exports declined -4.3% to $101.1 billion over Jan-Mar 2003.

In Canada March 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +0.9% to 28.7 billion over February 2004, and declined -4.3% over March 2003. Year-to-date imports declined -6.5% to $83.9 billion over Jan-Mar 2003.

Nova Scotia February 2004

In Nova Scotia February 2004, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$176.0 million. The year to date deficit was -$132.5 million.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.1% to $421.8 million over January 2004 and increased +4.5% over February 2003. Year-to-date exports declined -5.3% to $826.9 million over Jan-Feb 2003.

In Nova Scotia February 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +65.3% to $597.8 million over January 2004, and increased +8.6% over February 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +7.1% to $959.3 million over Jan-Feb 2003.

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In May 2004 Canada's international merchandise trade surplus (balance of payments basis - seasonally adjusted) was $5.2 billion. The year-to-date surplus was $29.0 billion.

Canada's international merchandise trade exports in May 2004(balance of payments - seasonally adjusted) increased 1.3% over April 2004 to $36.8 billion and increased 12.2% over May 2003. Year-to-date exports rose 1.6% over January-May 2003 to $174.7 billion in Jan-May 2004.

International merchandise trade imports (balance of payments - seasonally adjusted) in Canada during May 2004 increased 7.8% over April 2004 to $31.2 billion and rose 10.3% over May 2003. Year-to-date imports declined 1.2% from January-May 2003 to $145.6 billion over Jan-Apr 2003.

Nova Scotia May 2004

Province of origin, custom basis data (unadjusted) show Nova Scotia domestic exports reached $511.2 million in May 2004, an increase of 12.0% over May 2003. Total Nova Scotia domestic exports during January-May 2004 were $2,232.1 million, down 2.7% from the January-May 2003 period.

Domestic imports to Nova Scotia (province of clearance-unadjusted) were $600.3 million in May 2004, up 35.7% over May 2003. During January-May 2004, domestic imports to Nova Scotia totalled $2,652.3 million, an increase of 3.5% over January-May 2003.

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada October 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $4.4 billion. The year to date surplus was $56.3 billion.

In Canada October 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.1% to $35.6 billion over September 2004 and increased +10.1% over October 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +6.8% to $357.6 billion over Jan-Oct 2003.

In Canada October 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +0.9% to 31.3 billion over September 2004, and increased +13.7% over October 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +5.4% to $301.3 billion over Jan-Oct 2003.

Nova Scotia September 2004 (not seasonally adjusted)

In Nova Scotia September 2004, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$44.7 million. The year to date deficit was -$97.1 million.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, international merchandise trade exports declined -29.9% to $498.6 million over August 2004 and increased +13.0% over September 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +9.6% to $4.6 billion over Jan-Sep 2003.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +17.1% to $543.4 million over August 2004, and declined -1.4% over September 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +7.4% to $4.7 billion over Jan-Sep 2003.

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada September 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $5.1 billion. The year to date surplus was $52.5 billion.

In Canada September 2004, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.4% to $36.1 billion over August 2004 and increased +8.8% over September 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +6.6% to $322.5 billion over Jan-Sep 2003.

In Canada September 2004, international merchandise trade imports increased +0.4% to 31.0 billion over August 2004, and increased +11.6% over September 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +4.5% to $269.9 billion over Jan-Sep 2003.

Nova Scotia August 2004 (not seasonally adjusted)

In Nova Scotia August 2004, the international merchandise trade surplus was $309.6 million. The year to date surplus was $4.5 million.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, international merchandise trade exports increased +20.9% to $711.2 million over July 2004 and increased +54.2% over August 2003. Year-to-date exports increased +9.1% to $4.1 billion over Jan-Aug 2003.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, international merchandise trade imports declined -37.3% to $401.6 million over July 2004, and increased +0.9% over August 2003. Year-to-date imports increased +7.0% to $4.1 billion over Jan-Aug 2003.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, there is an exceptional export to the Netherlands for HS 8905 - DREDGERS; FLOATING OR SUBMERSIBLE VESSELS/DOCKS/PLATFORMS, valued at $197.8 million.

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XIB

In Canada November 2003, the international merchandise trade surplus was $4.3 billion. The year to date surplus was $54.4 billion.

In Canada November 2003, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.1% to $32.1 billion over October 2003 and declined -6.7% over November 2002. Year-to-date exports declined -3.2% to $367.8 billion over Jan-Nov 2002.

In Canada November 2003, international merchandise trade imports increased +1.7% to 27.8 billion over October 2003, and declined -7.6% over November 2002. Year-to-date imports declined -3.8% to $313.4 billion over Jan-Nov 2002.

Nova Scotia October 2003

In Nova Scotia October 2003, the international merchandise trade deficit was -$146.0 million. The year to date deficit was -$257.7 million.

In Nova Scotia October 2003, international merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -9.7% to $417.6 million over September 2003 and declined -4.6% over October 2002. Year-to-date exports increased +6.2% to $4.7 billion over Jan-Oct 2002.

In Nova Scotia October 2003, international merchandise trade imports increased +2.2% to $563.6 million over September 2003, and increased +19.1% over October 2002. Year-to-date imports increased +15.9% to $5.0 billion over Jan-Oct 2002.

NOTE: Nova Scotia imports for September 2003 have been revised from $1.2 billion to $551.2 million.

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INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, the international travel account posted a deficit of -$1.3 billion. Total receipts increased +1.1% to $3.8 billion, and total payments increased +2.4% to $5.1 billion over the 4th quarter 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-27

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada 2ndt quarter 2004, the international travel account posted a deficit of -$1.1 billion. Total receipts increased +6.1% to $4.1 billion, and total payments declined -0.8% to $5.2 billion over the 1st quarter 2004.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-26

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, the international travel account posted a deficit of -$930 million. Total receipts increased +0.6% to $4.1 billion, and total payments declined -4.5% to $5.0 billion over the 2nd quarter 2004.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-25

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, the international travel account posted a deficit of $1.4 billion. Total receipts increased +6.6% to $3.7 billion, and total payments increased +8.3% to $5.1 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Canada 2003, the international travel account posted a deficit of $4.3 billion. Total receipts declined -12.8% to $14.6 billion, and total payments increased +1.7% to $18.9 billion over the 2002.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-22

INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 354-0006

In Canada 2003, internet service provider operating revenues increased +8% to $1.6 billion over 2002. The operating expenses declined -13% to $1.3 billion. The operating profit margin percent was +15.8%.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-13

INVESTMENT IN NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0016

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, investment in non-residential building construction declined -0.3% to $6.7 billion over the 4th quarter 2003. Despite the decline this is still a record high amount for the first quarter of any year. Investment was higher in the institutional sector as governments spent a record $2.5 billion, mostly on health care facilities. Investment in industrial construction remained flat at $1.2 billion while investment in the commercial sector stood at $3.0 billion, a decline of 1.5% over the previous quarter.

In Nova Scotia investment in non-residential building construction declined -14.2% to $127 million over the 4th quarter 2003. Six of the provinces/territories saw an increase over the previous quarter. The largest growth, in absolute dollars, took place in Ontario with a gain of 1.3% to $3.1 billion while Quebec had the largest decline at $1.4 billion or -3.3%.

In Canadian census metropolitan areas (CMA's), non-residential construction declined -0.6% to $4.8 billion over 4th quarter 2003. Seventeen of the twenty-eight CMA's had a drop in investment over the previous quarter. Halifax investment in non-residential building construction decreased -13.6% to $61 million over 4th quarter 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-13

INVESTMENT IN NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0016

Compared to 1st quarter 2004, investment in non-residential building construction in Canada rose 0.5% to $6.7 billion. While industrial component decreased 2.6% to $1.0 billion, the institutional sector invested $2.4 billion (up 1.4% from 1st quarter mainly as a result of the construction of health care facilities)and commercial building investment rose 0.9% to $3.3 billion.

In Nova Scotia investment in non-residential building construction increased 23.1% from 1st quarter 2004 to 2nd quarter 2004. By components, industrial rose 33.5% to $15.8 million, institutional increased 48.2% to $65.8 million and commercial increased 8.0% to $88.4 million.

Investment in non-residential building construction in Halifax increased 19.3% from 1st quarter 2004 to 2nd quarter 2004 reaching $76.0 million.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-12

INVESTMENT IN NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0016

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, investment (seasonally adjusted) in non-residential building construction declined -0.9% to $6.6 billion over 2nd quarter 2004.

In Nova Scotia 3rd quarter 2004, investment (seasonally adjusted) in non-residential building construction increased +33.8% to $240 million over 2nd quarter 2004.

In Halifax 3rd quarter 2004, investment (seasonally adjusted) in non-residential building construction increased +11.3% to $87 million over 2nd quarter 2004.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-15

INVESTMENT IN NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0016

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, investment in non-residential building construction declined -0.3% to $6.6 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Nova Scotia 4th quarter 2003, investment in non-residential building construction increased +2.6% to $147 million over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Canadian census metropolitan areas (CMA's), non-residential construction declined -0.1% to $4.8 billion over 3rd quarter 2003.

In Halifax 4th quarter 2003, investment in non-residential building construction increased +1.4% to $70 million over 3rd quarter 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-29

KNOWLEDGE-BASED ECONOMY 2000

Statistics Canada 11F0019MIE No. 232

In Canada 2000, employment increased +49% over 1981. In low-knowledge sector employment increased +32% over 1981; medium-knowledge sector increased +52%; high-knowledge sector increased +84%. in the economy

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-17

LABOUR FORCE HISTORICAL REVIEW 1976 - 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71F0004XCB

The Review is now available on CD-ROM from Statistics Canada.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-07

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia April 2004 labour force increased +0.3% to 489,300, employment increased +0.6% to 445,500, unemployment declined -2.4% to 43,800 and the unemployment rate declined -0.2 percentage points to 9.0% over March 2004.

In Canada April 2004 labour force increased 0.1% to 17.2 million, employment increased +0.3% to 16.0 million, unemployment declined -2.5% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.2 percentage points to 7.3% over March 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia April 2004 labour force increased +2.2% to 483,400, employment increased +1.9% to 435,200, unemployment increased +5.2% to 48,200 and the unemployment rate increased +0.3 percentage points to 10.0% over April 2003.

In Canada April 2004 labour force increased +1.3% to 17.0 million, employment increased +1.7% to 15.7 million, unemployment declined -3.4% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.4 percentage points to 7.6% over April 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-10

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia August 2004 labour force declined -0.2% to 489,600, employment declined -0.6% to 446,700, unemployment increased +3.9% to 42,900 and the unemployment rate increased +0.4 percentage points to 8.8% over July 2004.

In Canada August 2004 labour force remained unchanged at 17.3 million, employment remained unchanged at 16.0 million, unemployment increased +0.8% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 7.2% over July 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia August 2004 labour force increased +1.3% to 505,600, employment increased +3.1% to 463,000, unemployment declined -14.3% to 42,600 and the unemployment rate declined -1.6 percentage points to 8.4% over August 2003.

In Canada August 2004 labour force increased +1.0% to 17.7 million, employment increased +1.8% to 16.4 million, unemployment declined -8.0% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.7 percentage points to 7.5% over August 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-09

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia December 2003 labour force declined -0.3% to 482,800, employment increased +0.9% to 439,500, unemployment declined -11.1% to 43,300 and the unemployment rate declined -1.1 percentage points to 9.0% over November 2003.

In Canada December 2003 labour force increased 0.2% to 17.2 million, employment increased +0.3% to 15.9 million, unemployment declined -1.8% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 7.4% over November 2003.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia December 2003 labour force increased +1.2% to 477,900, employment increased +1.6% to 438,600, unemployment declined -3.7% to 39,300 and the unemployment rate declined -0.4 percentage points to 8.2% over December 2002.

In Canada December 2003 labour force increased +1.7% to 17.0 million, employment increased +1.8% to 15.8 million, unemployment declined -0.6% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 7.0% over December 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-12

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia February 2004 labour force increased +0.2% to 486,200, employment increased +0.5% to 440,500, unemployment declined -2.6% to 45,700 and the unemployment rate declined -0.3 percentage points to 9.4% over January 2004.

In Canada February 2004 labour force declined -0.1% to 17.2 million, employment declined -0.1% to 15.9 million, unemployment declined -0.1% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at to 7.4% over January 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia February 2004 labour force increased +2.0% to 471,200, employment increased +1.4% to 423,200, unemployment increased +7.4% to 48,000 and the unemployment rate increased +0.5 percentage points to 10.2% over February 2003.

In Canada February 2004 labour force increased +1.3% to 16.9 million, employment increased +1.5% to 15.6 million, unemployment declined -0.4% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 7.9% over February 2003.

The 2003 Labour force historical review on CD-ROM 71F0004XCB is now available.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-06

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia January 2004 labour force increased +0.5% to 485,000, employment declined -0.3% to 438,100, unemployment increased +8.3% to 46,900 and the unemployment rate increased +0.7 percentage points to 9.7% over December 2003.

In Canada January 2004 labour force increased 0.1% to 17.2 million, employment increased +0.1% to 15.9 million, unemployment remained unchanged at 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at to 7.4% over December 2003.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia January 2004 labour force increased +1.4% to 472,200, employment increased +0.9% to 421,600, unemployment increased +5.4% to 50,600 and the unemployment rate increased +0.4 percentage points to 10.7% over January 2003.

In Canada January 2004 labour force increased +1.8% to 16.9 million, employment increased +2.0% to 15.6 million, unemployment declined -0.1% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.2 percentage points to 7.9% over January 2003.

NOTE:
The seasonally adjusted series have been revised going back three years (beginning with January 2001) based on the latest seasonal factors. For more information on this and other recent changes to LFS tables, see the January 28 CANSIM communiqué on the Statistics Canada website.

The 2003 Labour force historical review on CD-ROM 71F0004XCB will be available on February 17, 2004.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-06

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia July 2004 labour force declined -0.2% to 490,400, employment increased +0.2% to 449,200, unemployment declined -5.1% to 41,300 and the unemployment rate declined -0.4 percentage points to 8.4% over June 2004.

In Canada July 2004 labour force declined -0.1% to 17.3 million, employment increased +0.1% to 16.0 million, unemployment declined -1.5% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 7.2% over June 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia July 2004 labour force increased +2.2% to 508,500, employment increased +3.3% to 466,200, unemployment declined -9.0% to 42,300 and the unemployment rate declined -1.0 percentage points to 8.3% over July 2003.

In Canada July 2004 labour force increased +1.3% to 17.7 million, employment increased +2.0% to 16.4 million, unemployment declined -6.3% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.6 percentage points to 7.3% over July 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-09

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY JUNE 2004
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia June 2004 labour force declined -0.3% to 491,600, employment declined -0.2% to 448,100, unemployment declined -0.7% to 43,500 and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 8.8% over May 2004.

In Canada June 2004 labour force increased +0.2% to 17.3 million, employment increased +0.4% to 16.0 million, unemployment increased +1.2% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate increased +0.1 percentage points to 7.3% over May 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia June 2004 labour force increased +2.6% to 463,300, employment increased +2.6% to 463,300, unemployment increased +2.3% to 40,200 and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 8.0% over June 2003.

In Canada June 2004 labour force increased +1.4% to 17.6 million, employment increased +1.9% to 16.4 million, unemployment declined -4.3% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.4 percentage points to 6.8% over June 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-08

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted (month over month)
Nova Scotia change February 2004 to March 2004
Labour force +0.3% to 487,600
Employment +0.5% to 442,700
Unemployment -1.8% to 44,900
Unemployment rate -0.2 percentage points to 9.2%

Canada change February 2004 to March 2004 Labour force unchanged at 17.2 million
Employment -0.1% to 15.9 million
Unemployment +1.7% to 1.3 million
unemployment rate +0.1 percentage points to 7.5%

Unadjusted (year over year)
Nova Scotia change March 2003 to March 2004
Labour force +2.3% to 480,000
Employment +2.0% to 428,500
Unemployment +4.3% to 51,500
Unemployment rate +0.2 percentage points to 10.7%

Canada March 2003 to March 2004
Labour force +1.4% to 17.0 million
Employment +1.3% to 15.6 million
Unemployment +2.9% to 1.4 million
Unemployment rate +0.1 percentage points to 8.0%

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-04

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia May 2004 labour force increased +0.7% to 492,900, employment increased +0.8% to 449,200, unemployment remained unchanged at 43,800 and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 8.9% over April 2004.

In Canada May 2004 labour force increased +0.2% to 17.2 million, employment increased +0.4% to 16.0 million, unemployment declined -1.1% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 7.2% over April 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia May 2004 labour force increased +2.9% to 499,900, employment increased +3.2% to 454,800, unemployment increased +0.7% to 45,100 and the unemployment rate declined -0.2 percentage points to 9.0% over May 2003.

In Canada May 2004 labour force increased +1.3% to 17.4 million, employment increased +2.0% to 16.1 million, unemployment declined -7.3% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.7 percentage points to 7.3% over May 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-03

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY NOVEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia November 2004 labour force increased +0.5% to 492,300, employment increased +0.3% to 448,000, unemployment increased +3.0% to 44,300 and the unemployment rate increased +0.2 percentage points to 9.0% over October 2004.

In Canada November 2004 labour force increased +0.2% to 17.4 million, employment remained unchanged at 16.1 million, unemployment increased +2.5% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate increased +0.2 percentage points to 7.3% over October 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia November 2004 labour force increased +1.6% to 488,900, employment increased +2.7% to 446,300, unemployment declined -8.8% to 42,600 and the unemployment rate declined -1.0 percentage points to 8.7% over November 2003.

In Canada November 2004 labour force increased +1.3% to 17.3 million, employment increased +1.6% to 16.1 million, unemployment declined -1.9% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.3 percentage points to 6.8% over November 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-05

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia October 2004 labour force declined -0.1% to 489,700, employment remained unchanged at 446,700, unemployment declined -0.2% to 43,000 and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 8.8% over September 2004.

In Canada October 2004 labour force increased +0.3% to 17.3 million, employment increased +0.2% to 16.1 million, unemployment increased +0.8% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 7.1% over September 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia October 2004 labour force increased +2.2% to 487,100, employment increased +2.9% to 450,000, unemployment declined -6.1% to 37,100 and the unemployment rate declined -0.7 percentage points to 7.6% over October 2003.

In Canada October 2004 labour force increased +1.4% to 17.3 million, employment increased +1.9% to 16.2 million, unemployment declined -5.3% to 1.1 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.4 percentage points to 6.5% over October 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-08

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)
In Nova Scotia September 2004 labour force increased +0.1% to 490,000, employment remained unchanged at 446,900, unemployment increased +0.5% to 43,100 and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 8.8% over August 2004.

In Canada September 2004 labour force increased +0.1% to 17.3 million, employment increased +0.3% to 16.1 million, unemployment declined -2.0% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 7.1% over August 2004.

Unadjusted
(year over year)
In Nova Scotia September 2004 labour force increased +1.4% to 489,700, employment increased +2.2% to 450,300, unemployment declined -7.5% to 39,300 and the unemployment rate declined -0.8 percentage points to 8.0% over September 2003.

In Canada September 2004 labour force increased +1.1% to 17.3 million, employment increased +2.0% to 16.1 million, unemployment declined -10.0% to 1.1 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.8 percentage points to 6.6% over September 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-23

LABOUR MARKET REVIEW 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75-001-XIE

In Canada 2003, employment increased +2.2% (334,000) to 15.7 million over 2002. The employment rate increased to an all time high of 62.4% of the working population.

Employment in the goods-producing sector increased +1.1% (43,600) to 4.0 million. Employment in the services-producing sector increaed +2.5% (290,600) to 11.8 million.

In Nova Scotia 2003, employment increased +1.6% (7,000) over 2002. The employment rate increased to 57.3%, a record high.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-11

LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-010-XIE, CANSIM 383-0008, 383-0012

In Canada 1st quarter 2003 business sector labour productivity (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% over the 4th quarter 2003, and remained unchanged over the 1st quarter 2003.

Hourly compensation (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% over the 4th quarter 2003, and increased +0.8% over the 1st quarter 2003.

Unit labour costs (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.2% over the 4th quarter 2003, and increased +0.8% over the 1st quarter 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-13

LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-010-XIE, CANSIM 383-0008, 383-0012

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004 business sector labour productivity (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +0.4% over the 2nd quarter 2003.

Hourly compensation (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +1.0 over the 2nd quarter 2003.

Unit labour costs (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.1% over the 1st quarter 2004, and increased +0.7% over the 2nd quarter 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-21

LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY PERFORMANCE BY INDUSTRY 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 383-0013, 383-0014, 383-0015

In Canada 2003, the annual growth rate in labour productivity in manufacturing was +1.2%, down from 2.8% posted in 2002.

2004-06-18

LARGE RETAILERS APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada April 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% to $7.7 billion over March 2004 and increased +5.9% over April 2003.

In Canada April 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +7.6% to $7.4 billion over April 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-18

LARGE RETAILERS AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada August 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.6% to $7.7 billion over July 2004 and increased +4.6% over August 2003.

In Canada August 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +0.4% to $7.5 billion over August 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-20

LARGE RETAILERS DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada 2003, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +4.5% to $89.2 billion over 2002.

In Canada December 2003, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +4.5% to $10.6 billion over December 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-23

LARGE RETAILERS FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada February 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.6% to $7.5 billion over January 2004.

The group of large retailers represents about 28% of total annual retail sales.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-17

LARGE RETAILERS JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada July 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.8% to $7.8 billion over June 2004 and increased +7.1% over July 2003.

In Canada July 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +10.7% to $7.9 billion over July 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-18

LARGE RETAILERS JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada June 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $7.7 billion over May 2004 and increased +5.4% over June 2003.

In Canada June 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +6.5% to $7.6 billion over June 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-19

LARGE RETAILERS MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada March 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.8% to $7.7 billion over February 2004 and increased +7.7% over March 2003.

In Canada March 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +6.6% to $6.8 billion over March 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-19

LARGE RETAILERS MAY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada May 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $7.7 billion over April 2004 and increased +5.3% over May 2003.

In Canada May 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +2.1% to $7.8 billion over May 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-21

LARGE RETAILERS NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada November 2003, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +2.6% to $8.3 billion over November 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-17

LARGE RETAILERS OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada October 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.7% to $7.8 billion over September 2004 and increased +5.5% over October 2003.

In Canada October 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +5.6% to $8.0 billion over October 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-19

LARGE RETAILERS SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0009

In Canada September 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.9% to $7.8 billion over August 2004 and increased +6.7% over September 2003.

In Canada September 2004, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +9.3% to $7.5 billion over September 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-18

LIVESTOCK ESTIMATES JANUARY 1, 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 23-603-XIE

In Canada January 1, 2004, the national herd of cattle increased +8.7% to 14.7 million head. The number of hogs declined -0.4% to 14.6 million head, and the number of sheep increased +2.2% to 1.0 million head.

In Atlantic Canada January 1, 2004, the region's herd of cattle increased +2.4% to 296,000 head. The number of hogs declined -2.1% to 366,000 head, and the number of sheep increased +3.0% to 34,000 head.

The analytical article Mad Cow Disease and Beef Trade: An Update (11-621-MIE2004010, free) is available online.

http://www.statcan.ca/english/research/11-621-MIE/11-621-MIE2004010.htm

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-19

LIVESTOCK ESTIMATES JULY 1, 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 23-603-XIE

In Canada July 1, 2004, the national herd of cattle increased +6.5% to 16.8 million head. The number of hogs increased +1.4% to 14.8 million head, and the number of sheep declined -0.9% to 1.2 million head.

In Atlantic Canada July 1, 2004, the region's herd of cattle increased +1.4% to 297,000 head. The number of hogs declined -2.2% to 358,000 head, and the number of sheep declined -2.0% to 48,000 head.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-06

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE December 31, 2001

Financial Management System (FMS) Basis

In Canada December 31, 2001 local government net debt (liabilities - assets) increased $2.2 billion or 21.9% from December 31, 2000 to 12.2 billion. Financial assets = $50.5 billion; liabilities = $62.7 billion.

In Nova Scotia December 31, 2001 local government net debt (assets - liabilities)increased $31 million from December 31, 2000 to $357 million.

Note: The Financial Management System (FMS) provides a standardized presentation of government accounting for the federal, provincial and local governments in Canada. The individual governments' accounting systems are not directly comparable because the policies and structure of governments differ. The FMS adjusts data from governments' public accounts and other records to provide detailed data that permit inter-government comparisons as well as compatible national aggregates that are consistent over time. In other words, FMS statistics may not accord with the figures published in government financial statements.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-05

LONGITUDINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DATABASE

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 89-612-XIE, 12-585-XIE

Data for 2001 have been added to the Longitudinal Administrative Databank (LAD). This databank now spans 20 years, from 1982 to 2001, and contains information about individuals and census families.

The LAD now contains information from the Longitudinal Immigration Database. It covers almost half a million immigrants landed between 1980 and 2000 and provides information on their key characteristics at landing.

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LOW-INCOME CUTOFFS 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75F0002MIE2004002
http://www.statcan.ca/english/research/75F0002MIE/75F0002MIE2004002.pdf

Low-income cutoffs (LICOs) are income thresholds below which families may devote a larger share of income to food, shelter and clothing. LICOs take into account community and family size.

Low-income cutoffs after tax, 2003

Family size	Rural	Urban < 30,000	Urban 30,000 to 99,000	Urban 100,000 to 499,999
	$ income			
1 person	10,718	12,389	13,558	13,771
2 person	13,079	15,118	16,544	16,803
3 person	16,542	19,120	20,924	21,252
4 person	20,603	23,814	26,061	26,469

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Low-Income in CMAs, 1980-2000

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 89-613-MIE, No. 1
Survey No. 3901

The above noted publication is available free from Statistics Canada at:
http://www.statcan.ca/Daily/English/040407/p040407.htm

"This comprehensive report paints a statistical portrait of urban income and low income in Canada. It does so by examining the changes in pretax family income within the country's 27 largest CMAs from 1980 to 2000, based on census data.

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2004-08-16

MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT PRICE INDEX 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, the machinery and equipment price index (1986=100) increased +2.2% to 131.5 over the 1st quarter 2004, and declined -0.1% over the 2nd quarter 2003.

2004-02-16

MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT PRICE INDEX 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, the machinery and equipment price index (1986=100) declined -2.7% to 127.6 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and declined -9.6% over the 4th quarter 2002.

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2004-12-21

MARRIAGES 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F0212XWE

In Canada 2002, the number of marriages increased +0.1% to 146,738 over 2001.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the number of marriages declined -0.1% to 4,899 over 2001.

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2004-09-29

MIGRATION 2003

Statistics Canada

In Halifax 2002/2003, the net census metropolitan area migration rate per 1,000 population declined to 5.1 from 6.0 in 2001/2002. Total in migration was 15,677; total out migration was 13,784 for a net gain of 1,893.

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2004-06-15

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia April 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased 2.2% to $778 million over March 2004.

In Canada April 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $48.5 billion over March 2004, and rose 7.0% over April 2003.

Inventories increased 1.0% to $59.4 billion over March 2004, a 6-month high, and declined -3.8% over March 2003.

Unfilled orders increased +2.6% over March 2004 to $37.3 billion and declined -4.0% over April 2003.

New orders increased +2.4% over March 2004 to $49.4 billion and increased +11.6%% over April 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio increased to 1.23 from 1.22 in March 2004, and declined from 1.36 in April 2003.

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2004-10-15

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia August 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -5.3% to $738 million over July 2004.

In Canada August 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.8% to $50.8 billion over July 2004, and increased +17.4% over August 2003.

Inventories increased +1.4% to $61.8 billion over July 2004, and increased +3.8% over August 2003.

Unfilled orders declined -1.1% to $37.4 billion over July 2004, and increased +2.7% over August 2003.

New orders -1.1% to $50.4 billion over July 2004 and increased +18.1%% over August 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio increased to 1.22 over July 2004, and declined from 1.38 in August 2003.

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2004-02-13

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia December 2003, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.6% to $735 million over November 2003.

In Canada December 2003, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to $42.7 billion over November 2003, and declined -0.7% over December 2002.

Inventories declined -0.3% to $59.8 billion over November 2003, and declined -5.3% over December 2002.

Unfilled orders declined -0.8% to $36.7 billion over November 2003, and declined -18.1% over December 2002.

New orders increased +1.6% to $42.4 billion over November 2003, and increased +1.7% over December 2002.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio declined to 1.40 from 1.42 in November 2003, and declined from 1.47 in December 2002.

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2004-04-15

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia February 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) decreased -3.3% to $691 million over January 2004. Six provinces had higher shipments in February

In Canada February 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.8% to $45.8 billion over January 2004, and declined -1.4% over February 2003. This is the highest level since last September.

Inventories decreased -0.8% to $58.0 billion over January 2004, and declined -5.6% over February 2003. This is the ninth decrease in the last ten months.

Unfilled orders increased +0.6% to $36.1 billion over January 2004, and declined -10.9% over February 2003. The increase was mainly the result of new contracts in the aerospace industry and reverses a negative trend that has been apparent since mid-2001.

New orders declined -0.8% to $46.0 billion over January 2004, and decreased -0.5% over February 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio decreased to 1.27 from 1.29 in January 2004, and declined from 1.32 in February 2003. This is the lowest level for the ratio in over four years.

Note to readers
With the January 2004 release, estimates of shipments, inventories and orders have been revised back to January 1999. Although the historical month-to-month movements were preserved, there were adjustments made to the levels of the Monthly Survey of Manufacturing (MSM).

These adjustments were due to several factors: the use of new and revised data; updates to the industrial classification (NAICS); the updating of the seasonal adjustment factors; and most significantly, the benchmarking of the MSM to the 2000 and 2001 Annual Survey of Manufactures levels.

The average level of adjustment for shipments from reference year 1999 to 2003 was +5.5%.

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2004-03-16

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia January 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.6% to $723 million over December 2003.

In Canada January 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.2% to $45.5 billion over December 2003, and declined -3.3% over January 2003.

Inventories increased +0.5% to $58.6 billion over December 2003, and declined -4.1% over January 2003.

Unfilled orders increased +2.6% to $35.8 billion over December 2003, and declined -12.1% over January 2003.

New orders increased +2.5% to $46.4 billion over December 2003, and increased +3.2% over January 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio increased to 1.29 from 1.28 in December 2003, and declined from 1.30 in January 2003.

Note to readers
With the January 2004 release, estimates of shipments, inventories and orders have been revised back to January 1999. Although the historical month-to-month movements were preserved, there were adjustments made to the levels of the Monthly Survey of Manufacturing (MSM).

These adjustments were due to several factors: the use of new and revised data; updates to the industrial classification (NAICS); the updating of the seasonal adjustment factors; and most significantly, the benchmarking of the MSM to the 2000 and 2001 Annual Survey of Manufactures levels.

The average level of adjustment for shipments from reference year 1999 to 2003 was +5.5%.

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2004-09-15

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia July 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.6% to $774 million over June 2004.

In Canada July 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $50.2 billion over June 2004, and increased +9.9% over July 2003.

Inventories increased +0.6% to $60.8 billion over June 2004, and increased +1.1% over July 2003.

Unfilled orders increased +1.7% over June 2004 to $38.0 billion and increased +2.7% over July 2003.

New orders increased +1.4% over June 2004 to $50.9 billion and increased +12.6%% over July 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio remained unchanged at 1.21 over June 2004, and declined from 1.31 in July 2003.

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2004-08-13

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia June 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.6% to $785 million over May 2004.

In Canada June 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.5% to $49.9 billion over May 2004, and rose 12.0% over June 2003.

Inventories increased 0.6% to $60.5 billion over May 2004, and remained unchanged over June 2003.

Unfilled orders increased +0.3% over May 2004 to $37.4 billion and declined -0.4% over June 2003.

New orders increased +1.7% over May 2004 to $50.0 billion and increased +12.9%% over June 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio declined from 1.22 from 1.21 in May 2004, and declined from 1.36 in June 2003.

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2004-05-14

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia March 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased 8.5% over February 2004 to $754 million. All provinces and territories reported healthy gains in shipments in March.

In Canada March 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.4% over February 2004 to $47.7 billion, and rose 1.9% over March 2003. In Canada, 19 of 21 manufacturing industries, accounting for 98% of total shipments, reported increases in March. Shipments of motor vehicles, up 8.2% to $5.8 billion, outpaced all other industries.

Inventories increased 0.3% to $58.8 billion over February 2004, a 6-month high, and declined -4.5% over March 2003.

Unfilled orders increased +0.2% over February 2004 to $36.5 billion--the third monthly rise in a row and the longest string of consecutive increases since 1999--and declined -8.4% over February 2003.

Improving demand at home and abroad contributed to new orders increasing 2.4% over February 2004 to $47.8 billion--the highest level since November 2000--and increased 3.6% over March 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio decreased to 1.23 from 1.27 in February 2004, and declined from 1.32 in March 2003. This is the lowest level for the ratio in over four years.

Note to readers
With the January 2004 release, estimates of shipments, inventories and orders have been revised back to January 1999. Although the historical month-to-month movements were preserved, there were adjustments made to the levels of the Monthly Survey of Manufacturing (MSM).

These adjustments were due to several factors: the use of new and revised data; updates to the industrial classification (NAICS); the updating of the seasonal adjustment factors; and most significantly, the benchmarking of the MSM to the 2000 and 2001 Annual Survey of Manufactures levels.

The average level of adjustment for shipments from reference year 1999 to 2003 was +5.5%.

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2004-07-15

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia May 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased 1.5% over April 2004 to $794 million.

In Canada May 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased 1.1% over April 2004 to $49.1 billion, and rose 9.5% over May 2003.

Canadian inventories increased 1.4% to $60.2 billion over April 2004, an 11-month high, and declined 1.7% over May 2003.

Unfilled orders in Canada decreased 0.2% over April 2004 to $37.1 billion and declined 1.8% over May 2003.

Canada's new orders decreased 0.8% over April 2004 to $49.0 billion and increased 11.9% over May 2003.

Canada's inventory-to-shipments ratio increased to 1.23 from 1.22 in April 2004, and declined from 1.36 in May 2003.

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2004-01-21

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia November 2003, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +5.5% to $745 million over October 2003.

In Canada November 2003, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.5% to $42.2 billion over October 2003, and declined -2.7% over November 2002.

Inventories remained unchanged at $59.9 billion over October 2003, and declined -4.9% over November 2002.

Unfilled orders declined -0.8% to $37.2 billion over October 2003, and declined -19.3% over November 2002.

New orders increased +1.0% to $41.9 billion over October 2003, and declined -2.6% over November 2002.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio increased to 1.42 from 1.41 in October 2003, and declined from 1.45 in November 2002.

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2004-12-14

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

In Nova Scotia October 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.6% to $773 million over September 2004.

In Canada October 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.3% to $49.8 billion over September 2004, and increased +9.7% over October 2003.

Inventories increased +0.1% to $62.3 billion over September 2004, and increased +6.1% over October 2003.

Unfilled orders declined -0.3% to $37.1 billion over September 2004, and increased +3.0% over October 2003.

New orders declined -0.8% to $49.6 billion over September 2004 and increased +11.5% over October 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio increased +0.02 to 1.25 over September 2004, and declined from 1.29 in October 2003.

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2004-11-15

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XIB

Nova Scotia ranks number 1 in manufacturing shipments.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +6.1% to $784 million over August 2004.

In Canada September 2004, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.6% to $50.4 billion over August 2004, and increased +10.0% over September 2003.

Inventories increased +0.5% to $62.2 billion over August 2004, and increased +4.9% over September 2003.

Unfilled orders declined -1.0% to $37.1 billion over August 2004, and increased +0.7% over September 2003.

New orders declined -0.6% to $50.0 billion over August 2004 and increased +8.3%% over September 2003.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio increased +0.01 to 1.23 over August 2004, and declined from 1.29 in September 2003.

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2004-10-04

MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL SALES 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 404-0002, 405-0003

In Canada 2003, gross sales of gasoline increased +1.2% to 39.7 billion litres over 2002. At 15.5 billion litres, Ontario and Quebec account for 60% of fuel comsumed in Canada.

In Nova Scotia 2003, gross sales of gasoline increased +0.3% to 1.2 billion litres (3.1% of Canadian consumption) over 2002.

DailyStats
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2004-05-27

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-563-XIE

In Halifax 2002, the number of stolen cars reported by the Uniform Crime Reporting Survey was 1,268. The percentage of stolen cars never recover was 24%, second only to Montreal. The rate of vehicles not recovered per 100,000 population was 151.

In Montreal 2002, the number of stolen cars reported was 14,999. The percentage of stolen cars never recover was 44%. The rate of vehicles not recovered per 100,000 population was 354.

2004-06-28

MOVIE THEATRES AND DRIVE-INS 2002/03

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87F0009XPB

In Canada 2002/03, attendance at movie threatres and drive-ins increased +5.4% to 125.7 million over 2000/01. Average attendance per capita increased to 4.0 visits from 3.9 (2000/01). In the period, the number of movie threatres declined to 645 (2974 screens) from 744 (3258 screens) in 2000/01.

In Nova Scotia 2002/03, attendance at movie threatres and drive-ins increased +7.5% to 3.5 million over 2000/01. Annual per-capita attendance increased to 3.8 from 3.5 in 2000/01. In the period, the number of movie threatres declined to 21 (87 screens) from 21 (88 screens) in 2000/01.

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2004-07-14

MULTIFACTOR PRODUCTIVITY 2003

Statistics Canada, CANSIM: table 383-0001

Multifactor productivity growth in Canada, in 2003 increased 0.5% over 2002. This was well below the gain of 2.5% for the previous year.

NOTES:
Productivity is an important economic indicator as it is one factor that determines the increase in the standard of living over the long run. Multifactor productivity measures the extent to which inputs are used efficiently in the production process. It is measured as the difference between output growth and the growth of the combined inputs of labour and capital.

http://www.statcan.ca/Daily/English/040714/d040714a.htm

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2004-06-24

NATIONAL BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 13-214-XIE

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, national net worth (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.4% to $4.1 trillion over the 4th quarter 2003. Per capita net worth increased to $127,500 over the 4th quarter 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-16

NATIONAL BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS 2NDQUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 13-214-XIE

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, national net worth (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.2% to $4.3 trillion over the 1st quarter 2004. Per capita net worth increased $3,100 to $131,100 over the 1st quarter 2004.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-16

NATIONAL BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 13-214-XIE

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, national net worth (market value, not seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $4.2 trillion over the 2nd quarter 2004. Per capita net worth increased $300 to $131,100 over the 2nd quarter 2004.

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, national net worth (book value, seasonally adjusted) increased +0.9% to $4.3 trillion over the 2nd quarter 2004.

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2004-03-25

NATIONAL BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS 4TH QUARTER 2003, PERMANENT LAYOFF RATES

NATIONAL BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 13-214-XIE
CANSIM Tables 378-0003 to 378-0008

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, national net worth (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.6% to $4.0 trillion over the 3rd quarter 2003. Per capita net worth (unadjusted) increased to $124,700 from $123,000 in 3rd quarter 2003, and $120,100 in the 4th quarter 2002.

Household net worth (seasonally adjusted) grew 1.1% in the 4th quarter compared to 0.8% growth in the previous quarter. Household debt (consumer credit and mortgages) stood at $102.9 for every $100 of disposable income.

PERMANENT LAYOFF RATES

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 11F0019MIE2004218

This study analyzes permant layoff rates by province, age, gender, industry and size of employing firm between 1989 and 1999.

In 1989 Nova Scotia had a permanent layoff rate of 8.2%, this increased slightly to 8.7% in 1999. This compares to 5.9% in 1989 and 5.7% in 1999 at the national level.

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2004-04-26

NATIONAL GRADUATES SURVEY CLASS OF 2000

Class of 2000: Profile of Postsecondary Graduates and Student Debt, Cat. No. 81-595-MIE No. 016

Data released from the National Graduates Survey reported:

Sources of debt for the Class of 2000
-graduates with no debt - College 51%; Bachelor 47%
-graduates with only grovernment student debt - College 33%; Bachelor 34%
-graduates with only non-goverment debt - College 8%; Bachelor 8%
-graduates with both goverment and non-government debt - College 8%; Bachelor 11%

Government Debt for Class of 2000
-graduates with debt to government student loans - College 41%; Bachelor 45%
-average government student debt owned at graduation - College $12,600; Bachelor $19,500
-indebted graduates who paid off their debt by two years after graduation - COllege 18%; Bachelor 22%
-debt paid off by those graduates who still owe - College 24%; Bachelor 23%
-graduates reporting difficulties repaying debt - College 30%; Bachelor 24%
-graduates with large debt ($25,000+) at graduation - College 5%; Bachelor 14%

For the Class of 2000, 26% of college graduates and 40% of bachelor graduates pursued further education after graduation and are therefore not included in the analysis above.

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2004-06-28

NATIONAL TOURISM INDICATORS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-009-XIB

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, tourism expenditures (seasonally adjusted, $1997) increased +0.8% to $12.2 billion over the 4th quarter 2003.

Current dollar expenditures (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.5% to $13.4 billion. Employment in tourism industries (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% over the 4th quarter 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-28

NATIONAL TOURISM INDICATORS 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-009-XIB

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, tourism expenditures (seasonally adjusted, $1997) increased +1.4% to $12.4 billion over the 1st quarter 2004.

Current dollar expenditures (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.5% to $13.7 billion. Employment in tourism industries (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.6% over the 1st quarter 2004.

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2004-03-30

NATIONAL TOURISM INDICATORS 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-009-XIB

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, tourism expenditures (seasonally adjusted, $1997) increased +3.2% to $11.7 billion over the 3rd quarter 2003. Current dollar expenditures (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.7% to $12.9 billion. Employment in tourism industries (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.4% over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Canada 2003, tourism expenditures (seasonally adjusted, $1997) declined -2.7% to $46.0 billion over 2002. Employment in tourism industries (seasonally adjusted) fell -1.2% over 2002.

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2004-06-23

NATURAL GAS APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001, 129-0004

In Canada April 2004, natural gas sales decreased -8.7% to 6.4 billion cubic metres over April 2003. Year-to-date natural gas sales decreased -2.9% to 32.3 billion cubic metres over Jan-Apr 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-22

NATURAL GAS FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001, 129-0004

In Canada February 2004, natural gas sales decreased -2.0% to 8.3 billion cubic metres over February 2003. This decrease was a result of warmer than normal weather conditions across the country.

The residential sector showed a drop of 2.5%, while the commercial sector had a larger decline of -5.5%. The industrial sector (including direct sales) showed a slight increase in sales of 0.2%.

2004-02-20

NATURAL GAS SALES DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001 - 129-0004

In Canada December 2003, natural gas sales increased +2.8% to 7.8 billion cubic metres over December 2002. Year to date sales increased +1.9% to 71.6 billion cubic metres over Jan-Dec 2002.

2004-09-24

NATURAL GAS SALES JULY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001 to 129-0004

In Canada July 2004, natural gas sales increased +4.6% to 3.7 billion cubic metres over July 2003. Year-to-date natural gas sales declined -0.9% to 44.6 billion cubic metres over Jan-Jul 2003.

2004-07-23

NATURAL GAS SALES MAY 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001, 129-0004

In Canada May 2004, natural gas sales increased +0.4% to 4.9 billion cubic metres over May 2003. Year-to-date natural gas sales decreased -2.4% to 36.2 billion cubic metres over Jan-May 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-27

NATURAL GAS SALES NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001 - 129-0004

In Canada November 2003, natural gas sales increased +2.9% to 6.9 billion cubic metres over November 2002. Year to date sales increased +1.8% to 63.8 billion cubic metres over Jan-Nov 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-07

NATURAL GAS SALES OCTOBER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001 - 129-0004

In Canada October 2003, natural gas sales declined -4.9% to 5.7 billion cubic metres over October 2002. Year to date sales increased +1.6% to 56.9 billion cubic metres over Jan-Oct 2002.

2004-11-25

NATURAL GAS SALES SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 129-0001 to 129-0004

In Canada September 2004, natural gas sales increased +4.9% to 4.1 billion cubic metres over September 2003. Year-to-date natural gas sales declined -0.7% to 52.5 billion cubic metres over Jan-Sep 2003.

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2004-05-27

NET FARM INCOME 2003

Statistics Canada

In Canada 2003, net cash income (farm business cash flow) declined to $4.2 billion from $7.3 billion in 2002. Total net income increased to $2.3 billion from $1.3 billion in 2002.

In Nova Scotia 2003, net cash income (farm business cash flow) declined to $38 million from $39 million in 2002. Total net income declined to -$10 million from -$8 billion in 2002.

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2004-11-25

NET FARM INCOME 2003 (revised)

Statistics Canada CANSIM 002-0001, 002-0003, 002-0005, 002-0007 - 002-0009, 00200012, 003-0025

In Canada 2003, net cash income (farm business cash flow) declined to $4.4 billion from $7.3 billion in 2002. Total net income increased to $2.6 billion from $1.3 billion in 2002.

In Nova Scotia 2003, net cash income (farm business cash flow) increased to $39 million from $37 million in 2002. Total net income increased to -$10 million from -$11 million in 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-10

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada April 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +0.7% to 121.7 over March 2004, and increased +5.6% over April 2003.

In Halifax April 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.1 over March 2004 and increased +1.5% over April 2003.

2004-10-12

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada August 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +0.5% to 124.3 over July 2004, and increased +6.0% over August 2003.

In Halifax August 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.8 over July 2004 and increased +1.8% over August 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-11

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada December 2003, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased 0.3% to 119.5 over November 2003, and increased 5.0% over December 2002.

In Halifax December 2003, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +1.2% to 121.1 over November 2003 and increased 4.5% over December 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-13

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada February 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased 0.4% to 120.4 over January 2004, and increased 4.9% over February 2003.

In Halifax February 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.1 over January 2004 and increased 3.5% over February 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-10

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada January 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased 0.3% to 119.9 over December 2003, and increased 5.1% over January 2003.

In Halifax January 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.1 over December 2003 and increased 3.5% over January 2003.

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2004-09-09

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada July 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +0.2% to 123.7 over June 2004, and increased +6.0% over July 2003.

In Halifax July 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.8 over June 2004 and increased +1.8% over July 2003.

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2004-08-10

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada June 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +0.7% to 121.5 over May 2004, and increased +6.2% over June 2003.

In Halifax June 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.8 over May 2004 and increased +1.8% over June 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-11

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada March 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +0.3% to 120.8 over February 2004, and increased +5.1% over March 2003.

In Halifax March 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.1 over February 2004 and increased +3.3% over March 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-12

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada November 2003, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased 0.7% to 119.2 over October 2003, and increased 5.0% over November 2002.

In Halifax November 2003, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 119.7 over October 2003 and increased 3.3% over November 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-10

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. 62-007-XPB, CANSIM: table 327-0005

In Canada September 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) increased +0.3% to 124.7 over August 2004, and increased +5.8% over September 2003.

In Halifax September 2004, the new housing price index (1997=100) remained unchanged at 121.8 over August 2004 and increased +1.8% over September 2003.

2004-06-14

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia April 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) rose +0.2% over March 2004 to 3,858, and increased 2.9% over April 2003. Unadjusted unit sales increased 4.9% over April 2003 to 5,061.

In Canada April 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.6% over March 2004 to 137,719, and increased +2.7% over April 2003. Unadjusted unit sales increased 4.8% over April 2003 to 160,246.

2004-10-14

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia August 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted)increased +1.2% to 3,769 over July 2004, and declined -5.9% over August 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -4.9% to 3,848 over August 2003.

In Canada August 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.2% to 131,543 over July 2004, and declined -7.6% over August 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -6.1% to 136,200 over August 2003.

2004-02-12

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia December 2003, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.2% to 3,761 over November 2003, and declined -12.0% over December 2002. Unadjusted unit sales declined -13.2% to 3,312 over December 2002. In Nova Scotia 2003, new motor vehicle unit sales declined -2.4% to 46,360 over 2002.

In Canada December 2003, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -9.5% to 117,373 over November 2003, and declined -21.8% over December 2002. Unadjusted unit sales declined -21.2% to 112,870 over December 2002. In Canada 2003, new motor vehicle unit sales declined -6.2% to 865,475 over 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-19

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia February 2004, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -16.3% to 3,341 over February 2003, and decreased -4.8% over January 2004. Unadjusted unit sales declined -17.2% to 2,257 over February 2003.

In Canada February 2004, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) decreased -12.1% to 128,043 over February 2003, and increased +7.7% over January 2004. Unadjusted unit sales declined -10.1% to 94,778 over February 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-21

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia January 2004, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -5.1% to 3,555 over December 2003, and increased +1.3% over January 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -4.4% to 2,245 over January 2003.

In Canada January 2004, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.3% to 118,779 over December 2003, and declined -7.1% over January 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -10.7% to 85,238 over January 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-14

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia July 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted)declined -7.8% over June 2004 to 3,733, and declined -15.8% over July 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -18.5% to 3,955 over July 2003.

In Canada July 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.3% over June 2004 to 133,240, and declined -7.4% over July 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -8.3% to 136,582 over July 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-16

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia June 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted)increased +8.5% over May 2004 to 4,038, and increased +4.4% over June 2003. Unadjusted unit sales increased +16.5% over June 2003 to 5,195.

In Canada June 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% over May 2004 to 130,245, and decreased -1.9% over June 2003. Unadjusted unit sales increased +2.9% over June 2003 to 154,142.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-13

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia March 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) rose +2.8% over March 2003 to 3,826, and increased 15.9% over February 2004. Unadjusted unit sales increased 5.7% over March 2003 to 4,231.

In Canada March 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) decreased -4.4% over March 2003 to 133,407, and increased +4.1% over February 2004. Unadjusted unit sales increased 0.5% over March 2003 to 149,624.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-15

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia May 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted)declined 0.1% over April 2004 to 3,830, and decreased 3.0% over May 2003. Unadjusted unit sales fell 6.1% over May 2003 to 5,651.

In Canada May 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined 3.2% over April 2004 to 133,294, and decreased 6.9% over May 2003. Unadjusted unit sales fell 10.4% over May 2003 to 166,143.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-15

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia November 2003, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.2% to 3,893 over October 2003, and declined -2.2% over November 2002. Unadjusted unit sales declined -1.1% to 3,127 over November 2002.

In Canada November 2003, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.2% to 131,085 over October 2003, and declined -7.3% over November 2002. Unadjusted unit sales declined -9.5% to 115,133 over November 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-13

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia October 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted)increased +0.2% to 4,014 over September 2004, and increased +7.8% over September 2003. Unadjusted unit sales increased +2.0% to 3,429 over October 2003.

In Canada October 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.5% to 136,243 over September 2004, and increased +7.7% over September 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -0.7% to 123,552 over October 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-15

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Nova Scotia September 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted)declined -1.2% to 3,719 over August 2004, and increased +2.5% over September 2003. Unadjusted unit sales increased +3.6% to 3,392 over September 2003.

In Canada September 2004 new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.2% to 126,482 over August 2004, and declined -7.9% over September 2003. Unadjusted unit sales declined -8.0% to 130,699 over September 2003.

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NEW PUBLICATIONS

The following publications are recent releases from Economic and Statistics Division, Nova Scotia Department of Finance.

Nova Scotia at a Glance 2004

Nova Scotia Statistical Review 2004

Nova Scotia Economic Overview 2004

Consumer Price Index September 2004

Economic Indicators September 2004

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-12

NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, the non-residential building construction price composite index (1997=100) increased +2.5% to 128.4 over the 2nd quarter 2004, and increased +7.7% over the 3rd quarter 2003.

In Halifax 3rd quarter 2004, the non-residential building construction price index (1997=100) increased +1.7% to 117.6 over the 2nd quarter 2004, and increased +6.7% over the 3rd quarter 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-12

NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, the non-residential building construction price composite index (1997=100) increased +0.5% to 119.8 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and increased +2.9% over the 4th quarter 2002.

In Halifax 3rd quarter 2003, the non-residential building construction price index (1997=100) increased +0.9% to 111.2 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and increased +2.9% over the 4th quarter 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-23

OIL AND GAS EXTRACTION 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 26-213-XIB

In Canada 2003, convential capital expenditures in the oil and gas extraction industry increased +32.5% to 23.8 billion over 2002. Non-coventional oil and gas extraction capital expenditures declined -25.2% to 5.1 billion over 2002.

In Canada 2003, operating expenses in the conventional oil and gas extration industry increased +18.9% to $20.7 billion over 2002. Non-conventional oil and gas operating expenditutes increased +48.5% to 4.1 billion over 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-07

PERFORMANCE IN MATHEMATICS 2003

Statistics Canada 81-590-XIE

In Canada 2003, students (15-year-old) performed above the OECD average in mathematics in the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA). Students in all provinces (except PEI in science) performed at or above the OECD average in reading, science and problem solving.

Nova Scotia (Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick) scored below the Canadian average in science, reading and problem solving.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-15

PERFORMING ARTS 2003

Statistics Canada 87F0003XDB

In Canada 2003, total revenue of performing arts companies increased +10.7% to $602.0 over 2001, the last survey year. Total operating expenses increased +10.9% to $599.0.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-01

POPULATION OF BUSINESSES WITH EMPLOYEES 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 178-0001

In Canada 1st quarter 2004 the number of businesses with employees increased +0.33% to 1,019,700 over the 4th quarter 2003.

In Nova Scotia 1st quarter 2004 the number of businesses with employees increased by +0.77% to 29,969 over the 4th quarter 2003, and increased by +0.72% over the 1st quarter 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-09

POPULATION OF BUSINESSES WITH EMPLOYEES 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 178-0001

In Canada 4th quarter 2003 the number of businesses with employees increased +0.2% to 1,016,301 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and increased +1.1% over the 4th quarter 2002.

In Nova Scotia 4th quarter 2003 the number of businesses with employees increased by 6 businesses to 29,741 over the 3rd quarter 2003, and increased by 31 businesses (+0.1%) over the 4th quarter 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-20

PORT ACTIVITY 2002

Statistics Canada

In Canada 2002, total tonnage increased +3.4% to 407.9 million metric tonnes over 2001.

In Halifax 2002, total tonnage declined -6.6% to 13.9 million metric tonnes over 2001.

In Port Hawkesbury 2002, total tonnage declined -26.6% to 21.5 million metric tonnes over 2001.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-14

PORT ACTIVITY JAN - JUN 2003

Statistics Canada
(Survey 2751 and 2791; annual data appears in Shipping in Canada, Cat. No. 54-205-XIE)

In Canada during January-June 2003, total tonnage increased 7.7% to 198.1 million metric tonnes over January-June 2002.

In Halifax during January-June 2003, total tonnage rose 17.1% to 7.1 million metric tonnes over January-June 2002. The port ranked number 9 in total tonnage during January to June 2003.

In Port Hawkesbury January to June 2003, total tonnage increased 64.9% to 12.1 million metric tonnes over January-June 2002. The port ranks number 4 in total tonnage during January-June 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-27

PREGNANCIES 1974 to 2001
Statistics Canada CANSIM 106-9002

In Canada 2001, total pregnancies increased +2.5% to 449,270 over 1974. The rate per 1,000 women declined -26.3% to 56.

In Nova Scotia 2001, total pregnancies -29.1% to 10,920 over 1974. The rate per 1,000 women declined -42.3% to 45.7.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-06

PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS PRODUCTION 2004

Statistics Canada 22-002-XIB

In Canada September 2004, the production estimates of wheat (total) increased +3.9% to 24.5 million tonnes over 2003.

Barley increased +5.8% to 13.0 million tonnes, canola increased +3.4% to 7.0 million tonnes, field peas increased +55.7% to 3.3 million tonnes and soybeans increased +29.0% to 2.9 million tonnes.

Oats declined -5.5% to 3.5 million tonnes and grain corn declined -11.0% to 8.0 million tonnes.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-08

PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS PRODUCTION NOVEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada 22-002-XIB

In Canada November 2004, the production estimates of wheat (total) increased +9.8% to 25.9 million tonnes over November 2003.

Barley increased +7.0% to 13.2 million tonnes, canola increased +14.1% to 7.7 million tonnes, field peas increased +57.2% to 3.3 million tonnes and soybeans increased +34.4% to 3.0 million tonnes.

Oats declined -0.2% to 3.7 million tonnes and grain corn declined -7.8% to 8.8 million tonnes.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-23

PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS SEEDING INTENTIONS MARCH 31, 2004

Statistics Canada 22-002-XIB

In Canada March 31, 2004, the seeding intentions of wheat (total) is expected to decrease -2.1% to 25.7 million acres over 2003. Spring wheat planting is expected to decrease -1.8% to 18.2 million acres) and durum wheat -1.8% to 6.0 million acres.

Seeding intentions are expected to increase for soybeans (+16.3% to 3.0 million acres), canola (+9.0% to 12.8 million acres), flaxseed (+4.6% to 1.9 million acres) and field peas (+4.2% to 3.4 million acres).

Seeding intentions are expected to decline for oats (-10.1% to 5.0 million acres), barley (-6.2% to 11.7 million acres) and summerfallow (-2.5% to 8.7 million acres).

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2004-07-05

PRIVATE RADIO BROADCASTING 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 56-001-XIE

In Canada 2003, total revenues in the radio industry increased +8.4% to $1.2 billion over 2002. Net operating income increased +6.0% to $192.3 million and average weekly employment increased to 9,009 from 8,934 in 2002.

In Atlantic Canada 2003, total revenues in the radio industry increased +10.3% to $79.7 million over 2002. Net operating income increased +24.4 to $19.5 million and average weekly employment declined to 720 from 745 in 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-10

PRIVATE SECURITY AND PUBLIC POLICING 2001

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XIE

In Canada 2001, the rate per 100,000 population of security guards and private investigators declined -2% to 280 over 1996. The rate per 100,000 population of police officers increased +2% to 209.

The number of security guards and private investigations increased +2% to 84,000 (security guards = 73,535, pi's = 10,465) and the number of police officer increased +6% over 1996 (police officer = 63,000).

Wages of security guards declined -04% to $27,474; private investigators increaed +2% to $58,596; police officers increased +6% to $59,888.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-01

PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS FEBRUARY2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 32-022-XIB

In Canada February 2004, the number of cigarettes sold decreased -2.0% to 2.5 billion cigarettes over January 2004, but incraesed 6.0% from the level observed in February 2003.

Cigarette production for February 2004 stood at 2.7 billlion cigarettes, a decrease of 9.0% from January, and a decrease of 16.0% from the 3.2 billion cigarettes produced in February 2003.

2004-12-20

PRODUCTIVITY GROWTH BY INDUSTRY 1997-2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 383-0009, 383-0010, 383-0013, 383-0014, 383-0015

In Canada 1997 to 2003, the average annual growth rate in labour productivity in the business sector was +2.1%. Multi-factor productivity growth rate was 1.5%.

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2004-11-09

PROVINCIAL AND TERRITORIAL ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS 2000 TO 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-213-PPB

In Canada 2003, gross domestic product (GDP) in chained $1997, increased +2.0% to $1.1 trillion over 2002.

In Nova Scotia 2003, gross domestic product (GDP) in chained $1997, increased +1.2% to $25.2 billion over 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-11

PROVINCIAL AND TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE MARCH 31, 2002

Statistics Canada CANSIM 385-0014, 385-0017 to 385-0019

In Canada March 31, 2003, on a Financial Management System basis the provincial/territorial governments net debt increased +2.6% to $255.9 billion over 2002. Per capita debt increased to $8,112 from $7,980. Net debt as a percentage of GDP declined to 21.1% from 22.2%.

In Nova Scotia March 31, 2003, on a Financial Management System basis the provincial/territorial government net debt increased +5.3% to $11.9 billion over 2002. Per capita debt increased to $12,714.

NOTE: The Financial Management System (FMS) is used to produce the government financial statistics presented in this release. FMS standardizes individual government accounts to provide consistent and comparable statistics. As a result, FMS statistics may differ from the figures published in individual government financial statements. A reconciliation statement of FMS to Public Accounts is available from Statistics Canada.

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2004-04-28

PROVINCIAL GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-213-PPB

Nova Scotia at 0.9% trailed all the other provinces in GDP growth in 2003. Nrewfoundland and Labrador ranked number 1 at +6.5%.

In Canada 2003, gross domestic product (GDP) in chained $1997, increased +1.7% to $1.09 trillion over 2002.

In Nova Scotia 2003, gross domestic product (GDP) in chained $1997, increased +0.9% to $25.1 billion over 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-25

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INVESTMENT 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-205-XIB

In Nova Scotia 2004, public and private capital spending intentions increased +0.8% to $5.5 billion over 2003. In 2003, actual public and private investment declined -5.5% to $5.4 billion over 2002.

In Canada 2004, public and private capital spending intentions increased +3.1% to $223.8 billion over 2003. In 2003, actual public and private investment increased +3.8% to $217.2 billion over 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-07

QUARTERLY RETAIL COMMODITY SURVEY 3RD QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0010

In Canada 3rd quarter 2003, commodity sales increased +3.6% to $81.7 billion over the 3rd quarter 2002. The largest percentage gain was in health care and personal products sales which increased +6.7% to $6.1 billion over the 3rd quarter 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-21

QUARTERLY RETAIL COMMODITY SURVEY 4TH QUARTER 2003 AND 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 080-0010

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, commodity sales increased +1.5% to $84.0 billion over the 4th quarter 2002. The largest percentage gain was in health care and personal products sales which increased +7.1% to $6.7 billion over the 4th quarter 2002.

All retail stores sales increased 3.0% over 2002 to $317.1 billion in 2003. The largest percentage gain was in automotive fuels, oils and additives sales, up +6.7% over 2002 to $24.2 billion, as well as, health care and personal product sales which increased +6.4% over 2002 to $24.6 billion in 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-28

RADIO LISTENING FALL 2003

Statistics Canada
CANSIM 503-001 to 503-0005.

In Canada Fall 2003, Canadians listened to radio an average of 19.5 hours per week, one hour less than in 1999. Men (18 years +) averaged 20.9 hours, women (18 years +) averaged 20.4 hours and teens, aged 12 to 17, averaged 8.5 hours.

In Nova Scotia Fall 2003, Nova Scotians listened to radio an average of 19.7 hours per week. Men (18 years +) averaged 20.9 hours, women (18 years +) averaged 21.0 hours and teens, aged 12 to 17, averaged 7.9 hours.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-01

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, October 2004, the raw material price index (1997=100) increased +3.8% to 138.9 over September 2004, and increased +28.0% over October 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels declined -0.8% to 96.9 over September 2004, and increased +8.81% over October 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +8.3% to 229.7 over September 2004 and increased +52.5% over October 2003.

2004-10-28

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, September 2004, the raw material price index (1997=100) increased +0.3% to 134.2 over August 2004, and increased +25.0% over September 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels declined -0.5% to 98.2 over August 2004, and increased +11.1% over September 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +1.2% to 212.2 over August 2004 and increased +43.0% over September 2003.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-29

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, August 2004, the raw material price index (1997=100) increased +3.3% to 133.2 over July 2004, and increased +20.9% over August 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels declined -1.5% to 97.8 over July 2004, and increased +14.8% over August 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +8.6% to 209.7 over July 2004 and increased +27.6% over August 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-30

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX JULY 2004

Statistics Canada 62-011-XPB

In Canada, July 2004, the raw material price index (1997=100) increased +0.9% to 128.8 over June 2004, and increased +17.7% over July 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels increased +0.1% to 99.1 over June 2004, and increased +6.7% over July 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +1.9% to 193.1 over June 2004 and increased +18.8% over July 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-28

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX, APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada, April 2004, the raw materials price index (1997=100) declined -0.2% to 125.9 over March 2004, and increased +8.4% over April 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels declined -0.4% to 99.9 over March 2004, and increased +5,5% over April 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +0.3% to 182.2 over March 2004 and increased +12.1% over April 2003.

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2004-01-29

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX, DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada, December 2003, the raw materials price index (1997=100) increased +2.4% to 113.0 over November 2003, and declined -5.1% over December 2002.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels increased +1.9% to 92.0 over November 2003, and declined -3.9% over December 2002.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +3.2% to 158.3 over November 2003 and declined -6.7% over December 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-02

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX, JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada, January 2004, the raw materials price index (1997=100) increased +2.4% to 115.9 over December 2003, and declined -7.4% over January 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels increased +1.2% to 93.4 over December 2003, and declined -3.5% over January 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +3.9% to 164.5 over December 2003 and declined -11.8% over January 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-29

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX, MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada, May 2004, the raw materials price index (1997=100) increased +2.9% to 129.2 over April 2004, and increased +15.0% over May 2003.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels increased +0.1% to 99.5 over April 2004, and increased +7.0% over May 2003.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +6.2% to 193.5 over April 2004 and increased +25.6% over May 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-05

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX, NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada, November 2003, the raw materials price index (1997=100) increased +1.5% to 110.3 over October 2003, and declined -3.2% over November 2002.

The raw materials price index excluding mineral fuels increased +1.2% to 90.2 over October 2003, and declined -5.5% over November 2002.

The mineral fuels price index (1997=100) increased +1.6% to 153.6 over October 2003 and declined -0.1% over November 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-17

REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING 2002

Statistics Canada CANSIM 477-0051, 477-0052
NS Dept of Education

In Canada 2002, the number of registered apprentices increased +7.8% to 234,460 over 2001. Completions declined -9.7% to 16,490 over 2000.

In Nova Scotia 2002 (fiscal year ending March 31, 200), the number of registered apprentices increased +12.7% to 4,586. The number of new registrations declined -7.4% to 1,126. The number of completions declined -15.1% to 342.

http://apprenticeship.ednet.ns.ca/publications.shtml

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2004-10-21

RENEWING CANADA'S MANUFACTURING ECONOMY 1961 - 1999

Statistics Canada 11F0027MIE No. 23, 11-624-MIE No. 008

Renewal process. In Canada 1973 to 1996, about two-thirds of manufacturing jobs were created since 1973. Seventy-five (75) percent of these new jobs were the result of new plants being established. Over 55% of the new jobs were created by new businesses.

Renewal rate (i.e. potential for long-term growth) for Canada in the period 1973 to 1996 was 63.5%; for the Maritimesw the rate was 53.5%.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-02

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 88F0006XIE No. 018

In Canada 2003, of the estimated $22 billion research and development expenditure, 10% was performed by the federal government and 35% by universities.

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2004-06-01

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION INVESTMENT 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0013

In Canada 1st quarter 2004, residential construction investment declined -14.4 to $13.8 billion over 4th quarter 2003 and increased +15.4% over 1st quarter 2003.

In Nova Scotia 1st quarter 2004, residential construction investment declined -14.9% to $302.6 million over 4th quarter 2003 and increased +11.8% over 1st quarter 2002.

Note: residential construction investment includes new housing, renovations and acquistion costs.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-01

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION INVESTMENT 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0013

In Canada 2nd quarter 2004, residential construction investment increased +16.3% to $18.5 billion over 2nd quarter 2003. In the first 6 months of 2004, residential construction investment increased +15.7% to $32.3 billion over the first half of 2003.

In Nova Scotia 2nd quarter 2004, residential construction investment increased +12.1% to $426.2 million over 2nd quarter 2003.

Note: residential construction investment includes new housing, renovations and acquistion costs.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-01

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION INVESTMENT 3RD QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0013

In Canada 3rd quarter 2004, residential construction investment increased +14.5% to $20.2 billion over 3rd quarter 2003. In the first 9 months of 2004, residential construction investment increased +14.7% to $52.2 billion over the same period in 2003.

In Nova Scotia 3rd quarter 2004, residential construction investment increased +6.1% to $483.6 million over 3rd quarter 2003.

Note: residential construction investment includes new housing, renovations and acquistion costs.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-27

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION INVESTMENT 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 026-0013

In Canada 4th quarter 2003, residential construction investment increased +11.6% to $16.0 billion over 4th quarter 2002. In 2003 residential construction investment increased +11.5% to $61.4 billion over 2002.

In Nova Scotia 4th quarter 2003, residential construction investment increased +5.4% to $378.8 million over 4th quarter 2002. In 2003 residential construction investment increased +11.7% to $1.6 billion over 2002.

Note: residential construction investment includes new housing, renovations and acquistion costs.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-25

RETAIL TRADE APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada April 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.8% to $28.4 billion over March 2004, and increased +4.1% over April 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +5.8% to $28.6 billion over April 2003.

In Nova Scotia April 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.0% to $848 million over March 2004, and increased +1.9% over April 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +1.8% to $839 million over April 2003.

NOTE:
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2004-10-21

RETAIL TRADE AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada August 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.8% to $29.1 billion over July 2004, and increased +4.8% over August 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +2.2% to $29.7 billion over August 2003.

In Nova Scotia August 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at $854 million over July 2004, and increased +1.6% over August 2003. Unadjusted sales declined -0.4% to $881 million over August 2003.

NOTE:
Starting with April release, data collected from the Monthly Retail Trade Survey are classified according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS 2002), which is not comparable to the previously used Standard Industrial Classification (SIC 1980). Consequently, retail sales estimates have been revised from January 1991 to March 2004.

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2004-02-26

RETAIL TRADE DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

MONTH

In Canada December 2003, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.2% to $26.0 billion over November 2003, and increased +0.6% over December 2002. Unadjusted retail sales increased +2.7% to $31.0 billion over December 2002.

In Nova Scotia December 2003, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.2% to $765 million over November 2003, and declined -1.0% over December 2002. Unadjusted sales declined -1.5% to $701 million over December 2002.

ANNUAL

In Canada 2003 retail sales increased +3.1% to $316.0 billion over 2002.

In Nova Scotia 2003 retail sales increased +0.8% to $9.2 billion over 2002.

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2004-04-27

RETAIL TRADE FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB
CANSIM tables 080-0001 to 080-00005 and
076-0005

In Canada February 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.3% to $27.0 billion over January 2004, and increased +1.9% over February 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +4.2% to $22.1 billion over February 2003.

The strongest monthly growth at the national level was seen in Automotive Stores (+5.2%), followed by Clothing Stores (+2.4%) and Furniture Stores (+1.6%).

In Nova Scotia February 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.3% to $760 million over January 2004, and decreased -1.5% over February 2003. Unadjusted sales decreased -0.9% to $609 million over February 2003.

All provinces except Nova Scotia posted higher retail sales in February compared to a month earlier.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-26

RETAIL TRADE JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB
CANSIM tables 080-0001 to 080-00005 and
076-0005

In Canada January 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.6% to $26.4 billion over December 2003, and increased +1.2% over January 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +1.3% to $31.0 billion over January 2003.

The strongest monthly growth at the national level was seen in General Merchandise Stores (+5.3%), followed by Drug and Patent Medicine Stores (+3.0%) and Clothing Stores (+1.7%). A -1.2% decline occured in Furniture Store sales.

In Nova Scotia January 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $766 million over December 2003, and increased +0.8% over January 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +1.0% to $666 million over January 2003.

All provinces except Saskatchewan posted higher retail sales in January compared to a month earlier.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-21

RETAIL TRADE JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada July 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $28.9 billion over June 2004, and increased +3.8% over July 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +5.4% to $31.0 billion over July 2003.

In Nova Scotia July 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.6% to $853 million over June 2004, and increased +1.6% over July 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +3.6% to $944 million over July 2003.

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2004-08-23

RETAIL TRADE JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada June 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to $28.7 billion over May 2004, and increased +4.9% over June 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +6.9% to $30.8 billion over June 2003.

In Nova Scotia June 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to $862 million over May 2004, and increased +2.9% over June 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +4.3% to $938 million over June 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-25

RETAIL TRADE MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

MONTH

In Canada March 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.2% to $27.4 billion over February 2004, and increased +4.1% over March 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +6.1% to $26.1 billion over March 2003.

In Nova Scotia March 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.7% to $786 million over February 2004, and increased +2.1% over March 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +3.3% to $731 million over March 2003.

QUARTER

In Canada 1st quarter 2004 retail sales increased +3.0% over the 4th quarter 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-26

RETAIL TRADE MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada May 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $28.6 billion over April 2004, and increased +4.6% over May 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +0.4% over May 2003 to $30.5 billion in May 2004.

In Nova Scotia May 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.7% to $861 million over April 2004, and increased +4.1% over May 2003. Unadjusted sales remained unchanged at $901 million in May 2004, the same level as in May 2003.

NOTE:
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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-27

RETAIL TRADE NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada November 2003, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.3% to $26.3 billion over October 2003, and increased +1.9% over November 2002. Unadjusted retail sales declined -0.7% to $26.1 billion over November 2002.

In Nova Scotia November 2003, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.7% to $765 million over October 2003, and increased +0.7% over November 2002. Unadjusted sales declined -2.6% to $774 million over November 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-21

RETAIL TRADE OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada October 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.4% to $29.6 billion over September 2004, and increased +6.6% over October 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +4.8% to $29.5 billion over October 2003.

In Nova Scotia October 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to $865 million over September 2004, and increased +3.6% over October 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +1.8% to $860 million over October 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-22

RETAIL TRADE SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XIB

In Canada September 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to $29.1 billion over August 2004, and increased +4.7% over September 2003. Unadjusted retail sales increased +6.6% to $29.3 billion over September 2003.

In Nova Scotia September 2004, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.7% to $858 million over August 2004, and increased +5.1% over September 2003. Unadjusted sales increased +7.3% to $852 million over September 2003.

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2004-11-02

RRSP CONTRIBUTIONS

Statistics Canada CANSIM 111-0039 to 111-0041

In Canada 2003, the number of registered retirement savings plan (RRSP) contributers declined -0.7% to 5.9 million over 2002. Contributions increased +1.8% to $27.6 billion. Median contribution = $2,6000.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the number of registered retirement savings plan (RRSP) contributers declined -0.9% to 131,130 over 2002. Contributions declined -0.6% to $548 million. Median contribution = $2,0000.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-28

SANDWICH GENERATION 2002

Statistics Canada 75-001 Vol 5 No 9

In Canada 2002, about 27% of the population aged 45 to 64 with unmarried children where 'sanwiched' between caring for their children and their parents. Within the sandwiched group women on average contributed 29 hours per month to the care of the elderly, while men on average contributed 13 hours per month.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-03

SAVERS, INVESTORS AND INVESTMENT INCOME 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 17C0007, 17C0008, 17C0009, 17C0012

In 2003, the number of Canadians reporting investment income declined -1.3% to 7.4 million and investment income declined -0.6% to $30.1 billion, over 2002.

In 2003, the number of Nova SCotians reporting investment income declined -4.8% to 176,170 and investment income increased 1.8% to $713.7 million, over 2002.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-05

SAWMILLS AND PLANING MILLS JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 35-003-XIB

In Canada January 2004, lumber production declined 6.9% over January 2003 to 6.4 million cubic metres. Year 2003 production decreased 1.6% over 2002 to 79.2 million.

In Nova Scotia January 2004, lumber production decreased 14.8% over January 2003 to 116.6 cubic metres. Year 2003 production declined 10.0% over 2002 to 1.5 million cubic metres.

2004-07-05

SCHOOL BOARD REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES 2000

Statistics Canada Cat. CANSIM 478-0010 to 478-0012

In Canada 2000, school board expenditures increased +3.5% to $33.4 billion over 1999. Expenditures per full-time student increased +1.8% to $7,275 over 1999.

In Nova Scotia 2000, school board expenditures increased +0.2% to $810.7 million over 1999. Expenditures per full-time student increased +0.3% to $5,659 over 1999.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-22

SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT AND COMPUTER SERVICES 2003

Statistics Canada CANSIM 354-0005

Software Publishers

In Canada 2003, operating revenues in the software publishers industry [511210] increased +7.9% to $5.8 billion over 2002. Operating expenses increased +8.9% to $5.9 billion Profit margin (loss) was -2%. The number of active establishments increased +5.9% to 1,946.

In Nova Scotia 2003, operating revenues in the software publishers industry [511210] increased +3.1% to $23.2 million over 2002. Operating expenses increased +13.1% to $36.2 million. Profit margin (loss) was -56%. The number of active establishments declined -4.0% to 24.

Computer Systems Design

In Canada 2003, total revenues in the computer systems design and related services industry [541510] increased +2.8% to $18.8 billion over 2002. Operating expenses increased +2.1% to $17.7 bllion. Profit margin was +5.8%. The number of active establishments increased +3.9% to 45,377.

In Nova Scotia 2003, total revenues in the computer systems design and related services industry [541510] declined -11.7% to $258.9 million over 2002. Operating expenses increased +3.8% to $262.9 mllion. Profit margin (loss) was -5.4% The number of active establishments declined -7.3% to 454.

Data Processing Services

In Canada 2003, total revenues in the data processing services industry [518217] increased +2.3% to $2.7 billion over 2001. Operating expenses increased +4.1% to $2.5 bllion. Profit margin was +4.2%. The number of active establishments increased +23.5% % to 1,317.

Nova Scotia data processing services industry [518217] information is unavailable.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-19

STILLBIRTHS 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F0210XPB

In Canada 2002, the number of stillbirths (gestational age 28 weeks+) dropped +6.3% to 1,028 over 2001. Stillbirths per 1,000 births decreased to 3.1 from 3.3 in 2001.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-03-22

STUDENT READING PERFORMANCE IN MINORITY LANGUAGE SCHOOLS

STUDENT READING PERFORMANCE IN MINORITY LANGUAGE SCHOOLS
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 81-003-XIE, Vol. 9, No. 4

The results of two studies that examined the reading abilities of 15-year-olds in French and English school systems as well as students in French-immersion programs was reported in the March 2004 issue of the "Education Quarterly Review".

The first study showed that students in French school systems in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario and Manitoba had significantly lower reading performance than those students in English school systems. In Quebec there was little difference in the reading performance between French and English school systems.

The second study compared reading performance between students in French-immersion programs and those in non-immersion programs. Students in French-immersion programs had higher reading scores than students in non-immersion programs in all provinces except Manitoba. The study showed no difference in Manitoba.

The report analysis some underlying factors that may be contributing to the results.

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2004-09-08

SUMMARY PUBLIC SCHOOL INDICATORS 2002-2003

Statistics Canada81-595-MIE #22

In Canada 2002-2003, headcount enrollments declined -0.3% to 5.3 million over 2001-2002.
Total expenditures per student as a percentage of GDP declined -0.6% to 3.3%.(current$).

In Nova Scotia 2002-2003, headcount enrollments declined -1.9% to 150,599 over 2001-2002. Total expenditures per student as a percentage of GDP declined -4.7% to 3.4%.(current$).

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-22

SURVEY OF SUPPLIERS OF BUSINESS FINANCING 2003

As of December 31, 2003 the Canadian business total debt outstanding declined -0.1% to $361.1 billion over the same date on 2002. Total leases outstanding increased +1.5% to $24.87 billion.

The share of debt held by domestic banks declined to 52.8% or $192.0 billion. The share of debt held by finance companies increased to 12.0%, other banks increased to 11.8%, insurance companies remained unchanged at 10.7%, and credit unions/caisse populaires increased to 9.7%.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-01

TELECOMMUNICATIONS 1ST QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 56-002-XIE

In Canada Jan-Mar 2004, operating revenues in the telecommunication services industry increased +1.1% to $8.3 billion over 2003.

Operating revenues in the wireless industry increased +18.5% to $2.2 billion over 1st quarter 2003. Operating profits increased +24.3%.

In the wireline segment of the industry, revenues declined -4.1% to $5.8 billion. However, operating profits increased +1.8% to $1.1 billion.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-03

TELECOMMUNICATIONS 2ND QUARTER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 56-002-XIE

In Canada Apr-Jun 2004, operating profits in the telecommunication services industry increased +26.1% to $1.8 billion over the 2nd 2003. Operating revenues increased +4.7% to $8.5 billion and operating expenses remained unchanged at $6.6 billion.

Operating revenues in the wireless industry increased +18.7% to $2.3 billion over 2nd quarter 2003. Operating profits increased +87.0% to $663.4 million. The number of subscribers have increased +12% to 13.8 million as of June 30.

DailyStats

Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-19

TELECOMMUNICATIONS 3RD QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 56-002-XIE

In Canada 3rd quarter 2003, operating profits in the telecommunications service industry increased +24.5% over the 3rd quarter 2002. Capital expenditures declined -9.5% to $1.2 billion.

In Canada 3rd quarter 2003, operating profits in the wireless segment of the telecommunications service industry increased +68.9% to $543 million over the 3rd quarter 2002. Year-to-date capital expenditures declined -36% to $802 million.

In Canada 3rd quarter 2003, operating profits in the wireline segment of the telecommunications service industry increased +8.3% to $1.1 billion over the 3rd quarter 2002. Year-to-date capital expenditures declined -21.5% to $2.3 billion.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-04-13

TELECOMMUNICATIONS 4TH QUARTER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 56-002-XIE

In Canada Jan-Dec 2003, operating profits increased +23.0% to $5.7 billion over Jan-Dec 2002. Operating revenues were unchanged at $32.6 billion. Capital expenditures declined -14.9% to $4.8 billion.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-24

THE SOARING LOONIE 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 11-621-MIE 2004014

In Canada November 18, 2003, the loonie increased +21.7% to 77.13 cents US over the same date in 2002 (63.39 cents US).

The increasing value of the loonie was responsible for more than one-half of the deceleration in the CPI during 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-09

TOBACCO USE SURVEY 2003

Statistics Canada Survey 4440, Cat. No. 82M0020XCB

In Canada 2003, the number of smokers stood at 5.3 million (21% of population aged 15+) over 2002. Smoking rates for teens (aged 15-19) declined to 18% from 22% in 2002; for young adults (aged 20-24) the smoking rate = 30%.

The survey also reports that 53% of current smokers had used marijuana more than once in their lifetime.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-08

TRADE WITH CHINA

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-624-MIE

In Canada 2003, the Chinese trade trade deficit increased 12 times to $13.8 billion over 1995. In the period 1995 to 2003 exports to China increased +37.4% to $$4.8 billion and imports increased 300% to $18.6 billion.

In Nova Scotia 2003, the Chinese trade trade deficit increased 1.7 times to $47.9 million over 1995. In the period 1995 to 2003 exports to China increased +40.2% to $64.5 million and imports increased 526% to $112.3 million.

In Canada 2003, share of international imports had increased to 6% of total imports (compared to 2% in 1995).

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-06-17

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada April 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.4% to 3.6 million trips over March 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +22.8% to 3.6 million trips over April 2003.

In Canada April 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.9% to 3.2 million trips over March 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +5.7% to 2.5 million trips over April 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-10-20

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada August 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.2% to 3.3 million trips over July 2004. Unadjusted trips declined -1.7% to 4.3 million trips over August 2003.

In Canada August 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -4.0% to 3.0 million trips over July 2004. Unadjusted trips declined -4.9% to 5.2 million trips over August 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-02-19

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada December 2003, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.7% to 3.5 million trips over November 2003. Unadjusted trips increased 2.2% to 2.9 million trips over December 2002.

In Canada December 2003, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.7% to 3.3 million trips over November 2003. Unadjusted trips declined -12.9% to 2.6 million trips over December 2002.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-09-20

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada July 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.9% to 3.3 million trips over June 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +3.2% to 4.1 million trips over July 2003.

In Canada July 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.4% to 3.2 million trips over June 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +5.9% to 5.6 million trips over July 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-19

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada June 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.2% to 3.4 million trips over May 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +0.5% to 3.2 million trips over June 2003.

In Canada June 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to 3.2 million trips over May 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +5.2% to 4.2 million trips over June 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-05-19

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada March 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.8% to 3.6 million trips over February 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +12.4% to 3.8 million trips over March 2003.

In Canada March 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.1% to 3.3 million trips over February 2004. Unadjusted trips declined -4.0% to 2.4 million trips over March 2003.

2004-07-20

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada May 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.1% to 3.5 million trips over April 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +7.4% to 3.6 million trips over May 2003.

In Canada May 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.5% to 3.2 million trips over April 2004. Unadjusted trips decreased -17.3% to 3.3 million trips over May 2003.

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Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-01-21

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada November 2003, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.9% to 3.5 million trips over October 2003. Unadjusted trips increased +10.5% to 3.0 million trips over November 2002.

In Canada November 2003, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% to 3.4 million trips over October 2003. Unadjusted trips declined -11.9% to 2.4 million trips over November 2002.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-12-16

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada October 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.53% to 3.5 million trips over September 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +5.3% to 3.4 million trips over October 2003.

In Canada October 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.3% to 3.2 million trips over September 2004. Unadjusted trips declined -0.5% to 3.0 million trips over October 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-11-18

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PIE

In Canada September 2004, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.3% to 3.5 million trips over August 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +4.7% to 3.4 million trips over September 2003.

In Canada September 2004, travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) increased +8.5% to 3.3 million trips over August 2004. Unadjusted trips increased +8.2% to 3.7 million trips over September 2003.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-07-30

UNIVERSITY ENROLLMENT 2001/02

Statistics Canada

In Canada 2001/02, full-time and part-time enrollment in universities increased +4.3% to 886,800 students over 2000/2001. Undergradute enrollment increased +3.4% to 689,700 and graduate enrollment increased +5.8% to 126,900 over 2000/2001.

DailyStats
Nova Scotia Department of Finance

2004-08-19

UNIVERSITY FINANCES 2002/03

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 81-003-XIE

In Canada 2002-2003, universities total revenue (constant dollars) increased +6.4% to $18.6 billion over 2001/03. Total expenditures (constant dollars) increased +8.7% to $19.1 billion.

Government revenue increased +8.1% to $10.4 billion, other revenue increased +4.3% to $8.2 billion. Government revenue accounts for 56.0%, and student fees account for 20.5% of total revenue.

Salary and benefits expenditures increased +6.8% to $10.5 billion, scholarships and bursaries increased +10.4% to $751.4 million, buildings increased +39.0% to $1.3 billion, operational expenditures increased +14.2% to $3.1 billion, and other expenditures increased +1.1% to $3.5 billion.

In Nova Scotia 2002-2003, universities total revenue increased to $731.6 million over 2001-2002. Total expenditures (constant dollars) increased to $793.5 million. Government revenue accounts for 40.7%, and student fees account for 30.2% of total revenue.

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UNIVERSITY TUITION FEES 2004/05

Statistics Canada Survey 3123

Nova Scotia average undergraduate tuition fees are the highest and average graduate tution fees are the second highest in the country.

In Canada 2004-2005, average undergraduate tuition fees increased +3.9% to $4,172 over 2003-2004. Average additional compulsory fees increased +2.8% to $608. Average graduate tuiion increased +4.3% to %5,475 over last year.

International students average undergraduate tution fees increased +5.6% to $11,903. Average graduate tuition fees increased +4.5% to $11,307 over 2003-2004.

In Nova Scotia 2004-2005, average undergraduate tuition fees increased +7.7% to $5,984 over 2003-2004. Average additional compulsory fees increased +5.3% to $488. Average graduate tution fees increased +6.8% to $7,345.

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USE OF HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOMS 2003

Statistics Canada 82-003-XIE Vol 16 No 1

In Canada 2003 the percentage of the household population aged 15 years plus reporting at least one emergency room visit was 13% (3.3 million). The percentage of emergency room users who reported being somewhat to very dissatisfied with the ER service was 20%.

In Nova Scotia 2003 the percentage of the household population aged 15 years plus reporting at least one emergency room visit was 15% (108,000). The percentage of emergency room users who reported being somewhat to very dissatisfied with the ER service was 25%.

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VALUE OF VOLUNTEER WORK 2000

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-015-XIE

In Canada 2000, the value of volunteer work declined to 1.4% of GDP ($14,041) from 1.7% of GDP ($14,143) posted in 1997.

The percentage of Canadians who volunteered their time declined to 26.7% (6.5 million) from 31% in 1997.

The number of hours volunteered declined to 1.056 billion from 1.112 billion in 1997.

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WAGE SURVEY SEASONAL WORKERS 2003

Statistics Canada Survey #5062

In Atlantic Canada 2003, domestic workers in the nursery and greenhouse occupations earned an average of $7.52 per hour (Canadian low); in British Columbia they earned $9.57 per hour (Canadian high).

In the Praries 2003, foreign workers in the harvesting and farm labour occupations earned an average of $7.09 per hour (Canadian low); in Ontario they earned $7.96 per hour (Canadian high).

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WHOLESALE TRADE APRIL 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia April 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.7% to $533 million over March 2004, and increased +3.2% over April 2003.

In Canada April 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to $37.2 billion over March 2004, and increased +7.4% over April 2003.

In April 2004 computers and and other electronic equipment wholesale merchants' sales declined -2.2% to $2.5 billion over March 2004, and increased +2.0% over April 2003.

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WHOLESALE TRADE AUGUST 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia August 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +8.9% to $553 million over July 2004, and increased +3.2% over August 2003.

In Canada August 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.7% to $38.3 billion over July 2004, and increased +15.8% over August 2003.

In Canada August 2004, wholesale merchants sales of computer and other electronic equipment increased +3.8% to $2.8 billion over July 2004, and increased +17.1% over August 2003.

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WHOLESALE TRADE DECEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia December 2003, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -5.5% to $593 million over November 2003, and declined -5.2% over December 2002. In 2003, sales increased +3.3% to $7.5 billion over 2002.

In Canada December 2003, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.8% to $36.9 billion over November 2003, and increased +2.2% over December 2002. In 2003, sales increased +3.6% to $433.8 billion over 2002.

In Canada December 2003, wholesale merchants sales of computers, packaged software and other electronic machinery increased +0.6% to $2.0 billion over November 2003, and declined -6.5% over December 2002.

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WHOLESALE TRADE FEBRUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB
CANSIM Tables 081-0001 and 081-0002

In Nova Scotia February 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.4% to $616 million over January 2004, and declined -2.6% over February 2003. Five of the ten provinces posted declines over Janury 2004.

In Canada February 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) decreased -0.3% to $35.7 billion over January 2004, and decreased -2.1% over February 2003.

In Canada February 2004, wholesale merchants sales of motor vehicle parts and accessories decreased -3.6% to $5.9 billion over Janury 2004, and declined -17.5% over February 2003.

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WHOLESALE TRADE JANUARY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB
CANSIM Tables 081-0001 and 081-0002

In Nova Scotia January 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.5% to $593 million over December 2003, and declined -7.0% over January 2003. Seven of the ten provinces posted declines over December 2003.

In Canada January 2003, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) decreased -3.2% to $35.7 billion over December 2003, and decreased -2.3% over January 2003.

In Canada January 2004, wholesale merchants sales of motor vehicle parts and accessories decreased -15.2% to $5.9 billion over December 2003, and declined -19.0% over January 2003.

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WHOLESALE TRADE JULY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia July 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to $503 million over June 2004, and decreased -5.8% over July 2003.

In Canada July 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to $37.9 billion over June 2004, and increased +8.4% over July 2003.

In Canada July 2004, wholesale merchants sales of computer and other electronic equipment increased +2.6% to $2.7 billion over June 2004, and increased +2.4% over July 2003.

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WHOLESALE TRADE JUNE 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia June 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.9% to $500 million over May 2004, and decreased -11.2% over June 2003.

In Canada June 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.6% to $37.8 billion over May 2004, and increased +8.6% over June 2003.

In Canada June 2004, wholesale merchants sales of computer and other electronic equipment declined -2.5% to $2.6 billion over May 2004, and increased +8.4% over June 2003.

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WHOLESALE TRADE MARCH 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia March 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.2% to $651 million over February 2004, and increased +4.2% over March 2003.

In Canada March 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.6% to $37.6 billion over February 2004, and increased +3.9% over March 2003.

In March 2004 computers and packaged software and other electronic machinery wholesale merchants' sales declined -0.2% to $2.7 billion over February 2004, and declined -1.0% over March 2003.

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WHOLESALE TRADE MAY 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia May 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) decreased -4.0% to $501 million over April 2004, and decreased -6.5% over May 2003.

In Canada May 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to $37.4 billion over April 2004, and increased +8.4% over May 2003.

In Canada June 2004, wholesale merchants sales of computer and other electronic equipment declined -2.5% to $2.6 billion over May 2004, and increased +8.4% over June 2003.

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WHOLESALE TRADE NOVEMBER 2003

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia November 2003, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -2.3% to $629 million over October 2003, and declined -1.3% over November 2002.

In Canada November 2003, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.1% to $36.5 billion over October 2003, and increased +1.5% over November 2002.

In Canada November 2003, wholesale merchants sales of computers, packaged software and other electronic machinery increased +1.3% to $2.9 billion over October 2003, and increased +6.0% over November 2002.

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WHOLESALE TRADE OCTOBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia October 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.9% to $509 million over September 2004, and declined -7.4% over October 2003.

In Canada October 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to $37.7 billion over September 2004, and increased +6.4% over October 2003.

In Canada October 2004, wholesale merchants sales of computer and other electronic equipment increased +0.7% to $2.7 billion over September 2004, and increased +5.1% over October 2003.

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WHOLESALE TRADE SEPTEMBER 2004

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Nova Scotia September 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.7% to $506 million over August 2004, and declined -6.0% over September 2003.

In Canada September 2004, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.9% to $37.6 billion over August 2004, and increased +6.7% over September 2003.

In Canada September 2004, wholesale merchants sales of computer and other electronic equipment declined -8.4% to $2.7 billion over August 2004, and increased +6.7% over September 2003.

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WORKERS' KNOWLEDGE OF RETIREMENT PLANS

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75-001-XIE

n Canada 2001, the percentage of employees with registered pension plans declined to 40% (5.5 million employees) of all employees from 45% ten years earlier. About 4% of employyees in the private (390,000 employees) thought they had a retirement plan, but did not.

In Canada 2001, 51.1% of workers reported participation in at least one retirement plan. In Atlantic Canada, 54.4% of workers reported participation in at least one retirement plan.

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2004-10-13

YOUTH CUSTODY STATISTICS 2002/03

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XIE Vol24 No 9.

In Canada 2002/03, there were an average of 29,418 youth aged 12 to 17 in the correctional system - remand = 849; secure custody = 1,067; open custody = 1,064; probation = 26,438. The incarceration rate per 10,000 youth declined to 12.5 from 13.4 in 2001/02.

In Nova Scotia 2002/03, there were an average of 1,003 youth aged 12 to 17 in the correctional system - remand = 22; secure custody = 21; open custody = 85; probation = 875. The incarceration rate per 10,000 youth increased to 17.0 from 15.9 in 2001/02.

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YOUTH IN TRANSITION SURVEY, 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 81-595-MIE, No. 014, Survey No. 4435

In Canada December 2001, 18% of youth who never graduated from high school by age 22 had participated in some form of postsecondatry education.

In Canada 1999, about 30% of youth aged 20 years had no postsecondary education. By 2001, this had reduced to about 24%.

In Nova Scotia December 1999, the percentage of high school graduates of 20 year olds was 85%. By December 2001, the percentage had increased to 90%. (Dropout rate = 10%.)

In Canada December 1999, the percentage of high school graduates of 20 year olds was 85%. By December 2001, the percentage had increased to 87%. (Dropout rate = 11%.)

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YOUTH IN TRANSITION SURVEY, 2002

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 81-595-MIE, No. 014, Survey No. 5534

This report, free on the Statistics Canada site noted below, is the first to explore the longitudinal nature of the Youth in Transition Survey (YITS). The survey, undertaken jointly by Statistics Canada and Human Resources and Skills Development Canada, is designed to examine the major transitions in the lives of youth, particularly between education, training and work.

http://www.statcan.ca/english/IPS/Data/81-595-MIE2004014.htm

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YOUTH SMOKING SURVEY 2002

Statistics Canada, Survey 4401

In Canada 2002, the percentage of youths in grades 5 to 9 who reported they had smoked in the past 30 days declined top 6.2% compared to 1994 = 13.4%.

In Nova Scotia 2002, the percentage of youth who reported they had smoked in the past 30 days declined top 8.0% compared to 1994 = 13.2%.

Record count = 434

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